

# Maia-Simona's Top Five Books!

I have compiled a list of my favourite books for people out there who just need an adventurous world to escape to. I 100% recommend all of these books! Have fun reading and stay uplifted!

## [1. The School for Good and Evil by Soman Chainani](#)

Age range: Any. For: Someone in need of page-turning fantasy.

This is my favourite book of all time. It takes you into a land of mischief, scandals and fun. If you're a deep thinker, you delve deeper – things aren't all black and white and sometimes everything can be deceptive. Despite its reputation for being a fantasy book, there are also elements of romance, mystery and fairy-telling. Please read!

## [2. The Scandalous Sisterhood by Julie Berry](#)

Age range: 9+. For: Someone who wants a non-scary murder mystery.

I've never come across a murder mystery so funny! Seven girls find their head mistress dead and, because of their individual backgrounds, they don't want to leave their school so they pretend to be her! It somehow manages to hold suspense and humour! This book keeps you guessing until the end!

## [3. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time by Mark Haddon](#)

Age range: 12+ (swearing warning). For: Anyone who wants a laugh and food for thought.

This book is extremely individual. You're taken through a series of difficult events through the eyes of a boy with autism. It gives a funny and fresh perspective on life and how situations can be interpreted. I would very much recommend this to children but with parental permission, because some rude things are said. This book is also a good one to discuss with your family afterwards.

## [4. Unforgiven by Lauren Kate](#)

Age range: 11+. For: Someone in need of a cosy afternoon.

The creativity and originality in this book is fantastic - fantasy and romance in one. Well written and excellent story telling.

## [5. Murder Most Unladylike by Robin Stevens](#)

Age range: 8+. For: Mystery lovers.

This series is amazing: Daisy and Hazel encounter lots of murders and tragedies that seem to almost follow them around. I've been to a Robin Stevens book event and Robin says her goal was to write murder mysteries that were suitable for children. I definitely approve!