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## A selection of recommended books for children (and some for adults too) that include stories about asylum seekers and refugees from around the world

# Picture books and graphic novels (please note that these not necessarily aimed at young children)

- Alpha by Bessora Barroux in association with Amnesty International
- *A Story like the Wind* by Gill Lewis, illustrated by Jo Weaver, endorsed by Amnesty International
- Azzi in Between by Sarah Garland in association with Amnesty International
- Blue Penguin by Petr Horacek
- Dreams of Freedom in association with Amnesty International
- For Every Child in association with Unicef
- Habibi by Craig Thompson
- Kasia's Surpise by Stella Gurney
- Meltem's Journey by Anthony Robinson, illustrated by June Allan
- Mr Benjamin's Suitcase of Secrets by Pei- Yu Chang
- My name is not Refugee by Kate Milner, endorsed by UNICEF UK\*
- *Refuge* by Anne Booth & Samuel Usher
- The Arrival by Shaun Tan
- The Colour of Home by Mary Hoffman, illustrated by Karin Littlewood
- The Island by Armin Greder
- The Journey by Francesca Sanna\*
- The Mediterranean by Armin Greder\*
- The Silence Seeker by Ben Morley
- *Watch the Stars Come Out* by Riki Levinson, illustrated by Diane Goode
- We are all born free in association with Amnesty International

#### Suitable for Key stages One and Two readers (and above)

- Do you speak Chocolate? by Cas Leser
- My Name is Parvana by Deborah Ellis
- Parvana's Journey by Deborah Ellis
- *Night Flight* by Michaela Morgan
- Mud City (by Deborah Ellis
- Paddington Here and Now by Michael Bond
- *Shadow* by Michael Morpurgo

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- The Unforgotten Coat by Frank Cottrell Boyce
- Travelling Tales: a collective creation by children living in refugee camps
- Under the skin by Catherine McPhail
- We All Sleep Under The Same Stars by Year Six children at Greenfield Primary School\*
- When Hitler stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr
- Worry Angels by Sita Brahmachari, illustrated by Jane Ray \*

#### Older/ more able readers

- A Country to Call Home edited by Lucy Popescu
- A Hare in the Elephant's Trunk by Jan Coates
- A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park
- After Tomorrow by Gillian Cross
- A Strange Land by Alan Gibbons\*
- Asylum by Rachel Anderson
- Bamboo People by Mitali Perkins
- Boy Overboard by Morris Gleitzman
- Chasing the Stars by Malorie Blackman\*
- Close to the Wind by Jon Walter
- Girl in Red by Gaye Hicyilmaz
- Girl Underground by Morris Gleitzman
- *Girl with a White Dog* by Anne Booth
- Here I Stand: Stories that speak for Freedom by Amnesty International
- *Hidden* by Miriam Halahmy
- Home is a Place Called Nowhere by Leon Rosselson
- I am David by Anne Holm\*
- In the Sea there are Crocodiles by Fabio Ceda
- Island by David Almond
- Kiss the Dust by Elizabeth Laird
- Little Soldier by Bernard Ashley
- Looking at the Stars by Jo Cotterill
- Mahtab's Story by Libby Gleeson
- Nine Lives& Come to Where I'm From by Zodwa Nyoni
- Now Is The Time For Running by Michael Williams
- Once by Morris Gleitzman
- Oranges in No Man's Land by Elizabeth Laird

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- Out of Nowhere by Maria Padian
- Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah
- Refugee Tales edited by David Herd and Anna Pincus\*
- Refugee Tales 11 as told to Jackie Kay, Helen Macdonald, Neel Mukherjee, Kamila Shamsie and many more\*
- Ruby Tanya by Robert Swindells •
- Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepetys\* •
- The Bombs That Brought Us Together by Brian Conaghan
- The Bone Sparrow by Zana Fraillon \*
- The Dark Beneath by Alan Gibbons
- The Marsh Birds by Eva Sallis •
- The Milk of Birds by Sylvia Whitman
- The Optician of Lampedusa by Emma Jane Kirby •
- The Other Side of Truth by Beverley Naidoo\* •
- The Pomegranate Tree by Vanessa Altin\*
- The Shadow Girls by Henning Mankell •
- The Survival Game by Nicky Singer \* •
- The Refugees by Viet Thanh Nguyen\* •
- Web of Lies by Beverley Naidoo •
- Welcome to Nowhere by Elizabeth Laird \* •
- Where I Belong by Gillian Cross •

#### For further titles on this subject and reviews see:

http://www.letterboxlibrary.com/cgi-

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http://www.theguardian.com/childrens-books-site/2014/oct/13/black-history-monthbest-books-immigration-refugees

http://www.booktrust.org.uk/books/search/?guery=refugees

http://booksforkeeps.co.uk/search/node/asylum%20seekers

http://www.letterpressproject.co.uk/inspiring-young-readers

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