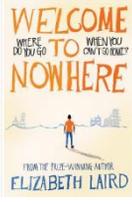
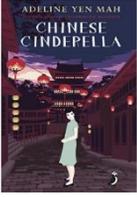
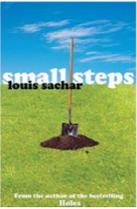
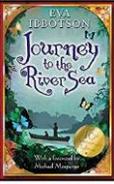
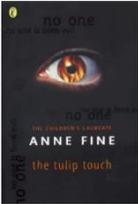
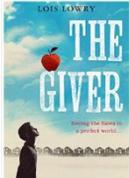


# Reading Challenge for Year 8- how many of these books can you read?

Title	Overview:	What did you think?
<p>'Welcome to Nowhere' by Elizabeth Laird</p> 	<p>My year 8's loved reading the opening to this story. Not only does it explain how the war in Syria began in as clear a way as I have ever heard but [Elizabeth Laird] makes her characters lovable, loathable - and believable. They are children of war but not defined by it . . . fascinating and sing[s] with truth. (Alex O'Connell, <i>The Times Children's Book of the Week</i>)</p>	
<p>'Chinese Cinderella' Adeline Yen Mah</p> 	<p>Genre: autobiography. This is a fantastic read about a Chinese girl who has to battle for acceptance.</p>	
<p>'Small Steps' by Louis Sachar</p> 	<p>This is the sequel to 'Holes' set three years later. 'Has a lot to recommend it - funny dialogue, a fast-moving story, some emotive scenes, an interesting central character.' Guardian</p>	
<p>'The Hound of the Baskervilles' by Arthur Conan Doyle</p> 	<p>Genre: Detective Sherlock Holmes investigates the sudden death of Sir Christopher Baskerville who some think was killed by a giant ghostly hounds.</p>	
<p>'Journey to the River Sea' by Eva Ibbotson</p> 	<p>Set in 1910 in the Amazon, a young girl goes on an adventure that was never expected. This is an easier read for Year 8 students.</p>	
<p>'The Tulip Touch' by Anne Fine</p> 	<p>This is about a girl called Natalie who befriends a loner called Tulip- she is her only friend but Tulip has a dark side.</p>	
<p>'The Giver' by Lois Lowry</p> 	<p>Genre: Dystopian Fiction This award winning novel is set in a time when there is no war; no pain and no hunger... what possibly could be wrong with that?</p>	