

Recommended Short Story Collections.

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Author(s)/Eds	Title	Good Reads link
Ahlberg, Janet & Allan	The Clothes Horse and other Stories	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/6311144-the-clothes-horse-and-other-stories
Aiken, Joan	A Necklace of Raindrops	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/271310.A_Necklace_of_Raindrops_and_Other_Stories
Andersen, Hans Christian	Andersen's Fairy Tales	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/700620.Andersen_s_Fairy_Tales?from_search=true
Colfer Eoin (Ed.) P J Lynch (Illus)	Once Upon A Place (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/27237230-once-upon-a-place?ac=1&from_search=true
Crossley-Holland, Kevin	Between Worlds - Folktales of Britain and Ireland	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/42084942-between-worlds
Crossley-Holland, Kevin	Norse Myths	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/34069213-norse-myths?from_search=true
Crossley-Holland, Kevin	Short! (some mature reading)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/821568.Short_?from_search=true
Pearson, Maggie	Short and Shocking! (some mature reading)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/2241331.Short_And_Shocking_?from_search=true
Cooling, Wendy (Ed.)	Centuries of Stories	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/4961465-centuries-of-stories
Cooper, Louise	Short and Scary! (some mature reading)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/1397531.Short_and_Scary_?from_search=true
Don, Lari	Winter's Tales	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/18475157-winter-s-tales?from_search=true
Don, Lari	Girls, Goddesses and Giants	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/18309511-girls-goddesses-and-giants?ac=1&from_search=true&qid=NMSnDbngnx&rank=2
Funke, Cornelia	Through the Water Curtain & Other Tales from Around the World	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/42042636-through-the-water-curtain-and-other-tales-from-around-the-world?ac=1&from_search=true&qid=10zhvY2cwh&rank=1

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Gamble, Nikki (Ed.)	The Story Shop (some mature)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/848134.The_Story_Shop?from_search=true
Garner, Alan	A Bag of Moonshine	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/925761.A_Bag_of_Moonshine?ac=1&from_search=true&qid=Mnwh9fx46i&rank=1
Garfield Leon	Mister Corbett's Ghost (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/2650411-mister-corbett-s-ghost?ac=1&from_search=true
Garfield, Leon and Michael Foreman (illus)	Shakespeare Stories (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/32480.Shakespeare_Stories?ac=1&from_search=true
Gavin, Jamila	Blackberry Blue (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/17612596-blackberry-blue?ac=1&from_search=true
Gavin, Jamila	The Whistling Monster – Stories From Around the World	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/7063397-the-whistling-monster
Gripari Pierre	The Witch in the Broom Cupboard (very quirky)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/32709431-the-witch-in-the-broom-cupboard-and-other-tales?ac=1&from_search=true
Hahn, Daniel (Ed.)	Quest – Stories of Journeys from Around Europe by the Aarhus 39	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/35395446-quest--stories-of-journeys-from-around-europe-from-the-aarhus-39?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=ZKTIMqlx82&rank=3
Illustrátus	Ghost –Thirteen Haunting Tales to Tell (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/51119455-ghost?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=pS8Pe0leDv&rank=6
Jackson, Mick	Ten Sorry Tales (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/search?q=ten+sorry+tales&qid=

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Jennings Paul	Various in the UN-series	
Layton, George	The Fib and other Stories	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/2580241-the-fib-and-other-stories?from_search=true
McAllister Angela and Christopher Corr	A Year Full of Stories	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/28634908-a-year-full-of-stories?ac=1&from_search=true
McCahugharan, Geraldine & Chischester Clark, Emma	The Orchard Book of Greek Myths	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/399510.The_Orchard_Book_of_Greek_Myths?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=O3fncbJ5fo&rank=1
McAllister, Angela & Corr, Christopher	A Year Full of Stories – 52 Folk Tales and Legends	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/28634908-a-year-full-of-stories?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=cCtbWueXnd&rank=1
McAllister, Angela & Andronic, Madalina	A World Full of Spooky Stories - 50 Tales	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/43521798-a-world-full-of-spooky-stories?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=jTcniIIIIY&rank=1
McKay, Hilary	Straw Into Gold - Fairy Tales Re-spun	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/40539046-straw-into-gold?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=5g3nQCzIA9&rank=3
Mark, Jan	The One That Got Away (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/50525943-the-one-that-got-away?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=DL7EobwRbA&rank=1
Merer, Jane	The Upside-down Mice and other animal stories	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/1780449.The_Upside_Down_Mice_And_Other_Animal_Stories?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=YX5K7njqM9&rank=1

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Morpurgo, Michael	Hereabout Hill	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/1690937.From_Hereabout_Hill?ac=1&from_search=true
Morpurgo, Michael	Of lions and Unicorns	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/18669209-of-lions-and-unicorns?ac=1&from_search=true
Peet, Mal and Elspeth Graham, and Michael Foreman (illus)	Painting Out the Stars	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/13140357-painting-out-the-stars?ac=1&from_search=true
Pienkowski, Jan and David Walser	Glass Mountain - Favourite Tales from Poland	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/20708820-the-glass-mountain?from_search=true
Tan, Shaun	Tales from Outer Suburbia (stories, monologues, vignettes - some mature reading)	https://www.goodreads.com/search?utf8=%E2%9C%93&q=tales+from+outer+suburbia&search_type=books
Pratchett Terry	Dragons at Crumbling Castle	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/23346526-dragons-at-crumbling-castle?ac=1&from_search=true
Pullman, Philip	Grim Tales (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/13554713-fairy-tales-from-the-brothers-grimm?ac=1&from_search=true
Rundell, Katharine (Ed.)	The Book of Hopes	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/53279978-the-book-of-hopes?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=cuKH5dEuac&rank=5
Soundar, Chitra	A Dollop of Ghee and a Pot of Wisdom	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/7954882-a-dollop-of-ghee-and-a-pot-of-wisdom
Soundar, Chitra	A Jar of Pickles and a Pinch of Justice	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/32878624-a-jar-of-pickles-and-a-pinch-of-justice?ac=1&from_search=true&qid=evM51nqvuj&rank=1

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Thompson, Colin	Wild stories (available on imiport)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/6616128-wild-stories?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=GHPYkdpq5&rank=1
Van Allsburg, Chris et al	The Chronicle of Harris Burdick (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/10508526-the-chronicles-of-harris-burdick?ac=1&from_search=true
Webb, Sarah (ed.)	Beyond the Stars	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/23198739-beyond-the-stars?from_search=true
Wilde Oscar	Stories for Children	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/969141.Stories_For_Children
Various	Make More Noise New Stories in Honour of the 100th Anniversary of Women's Suffrage	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/36359839-make-more-noise
Novels containing short narratives / short stories embedded in a wraparound narrative		
Badoe, Yaba	The Secret of Purple Lake	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/36360115-the-secret-of-the-purple-lake?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=IrXSps9zER&rank=1
Clark, Simon P	Eren (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/17795362-eren?from_search=true
McEwan, Ian	The Daydreamer (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/9958.The_Daydreamer?from_search=true
McKay Heidicker, Christian	Scary Stories for Young Foxes (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/40864887-scary-stories-for-young-foxes?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=BjUMhs4cTz&rank=1
Montgomery, Ross	Christmas Dinner of Souls (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/34457212-christmas-dinner-of-souls?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=RsHfzRcYd&rank=1

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Jung, Reinhardt	Bambert's Book of Missing Stories (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/1102502.Bambert_s_Book_of_Missing_Stories?ac=1&from_search=true
Priestley, Chris	Seven Ghosts (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/52273038-seven-ghosts?from_search=true&from_srp=true&qid=UmkLK17Exw&rank=4
Priestley, Chris	Uncle Montagues Tales of Terror (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/1900124.Uncle_Montague_s_Tales_of_Terror?ac=1&from_search=true
Priestley, Chris	Tales from the Tunnel's Mouth (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/6400662-tales-of-terror-from-the-tunnel-s-mouth?ac=1&from_search=true
Priestley, Chris	Tales from the black ship (mature readers)	https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/2934112-tales-of-terror-from-the-black-ship?ac=1&from_search=true