

Seventh Grade Summer Reading Survey 2012

Our goal for summer reading is for kids to enjoy what they are reading. Lifelong readers are created when people develop skills to select and find books they love. With this goal in mind we are not requiring students to read any particular titles. We are asking students to read at least three to five books of their choice. In order to help students find books, we are providing reading lists at each grade level. Students can choose books from this list, from any list linked on the school website, or find something on their own. Parents and students, you should know that students at each grade level recommended the books on these lists; the content and level of difficulty range from about 4th grade to adult. This list was generated by this year's 7th grade class, with some teacher additions.

Age recommendations i.e., (Grade 7+) are taken from *School Library Journal*.



indicates book won a literary award or was starred in review journals

HISTORICAL FICTION



Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko (Gr. 6-8)



Between Shades of Gray by Ruth Sepetys (Gr. 8+)



Book Thief by Markus Zusak (Gr. 9-up)



Chains by Laurie Halse Anderson (Gr. 6-10)

Dragonfly Pool by Eva Ibbotson (Gr. 5-8)



Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan (Gr. 6-9)



Feathers by Jacqueline Woodson (Gr. 4-7)



Good night, Mr. Tom by Michelle Magorian (Gr. 6-8)



The Help by Kathryn Stockett (Adult)



Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick (Gr. 4-9)



Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson (Gr. 5-8)

 **Milkweed** by Jerry Spinelli (Gr. 5+)

My Brother Sam is Dead by James Collier (Gr. 3-5)

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry (Gr. 3-7)

 **Star of Kazan** by Eva Ibbotson (Gr. 5-8)

 **True Adventures of Charlotte Doyle** by Ruth Murray (Gr. 6-9)

 **Wednesday Wars** by Gary D. Schmidt (Gr. 6-9)

 **Winter People** by Joseph Bruchac (Gr. 5-9)

CLASSICS

1984 by George Orwell (Young Adult)

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and others by Lewis Carroll (Gr. 6+)

 **Dracula** by Bram Stoker (Adult)

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte (Adult)

 **Of Mice and Men** by John Steinbeck (Adult)

REALISTIC FICTION

 **11 Birthdays** by Wendy Mass (Gr. 4-6)

 **13 Little Blue Envelopes** by Maureen Johnson (Gr. 8-10)

 **13 Reasons Why** by Jay Asher (Gr. 7+)

 **Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian** by Sherman Alexi (Gr. 5-8)

 **Beneath My Mothers Feet** by Amjed Qamar (Gr. 7-10)

Boy Project by Kami Kinard (Gr. 5-8)



Can't Get There From Here by Tod Strasser (Gr. 7+)

Catching Jordan by Miranda Kenneally (Gr. 8+)



Chasing Redbird by Sharon Creech (Gr. 5-8)



Close to Famous by Joan Bauer (Gr. 5-8)



Countdown by Deborah Wiles (Gr. 5-8)

Cryptid Hunter by Roland Smith (Gr. 5-8)



Dairy Queen by Catherine Gilbert Murdock (Gr. 7-10)



Dreamland by Sarah Dessen (Gr. 9+)



Drums, Girls, & Dangerous Pie by Jordan Sonnenblick (Gr. 6-9)



Face on the Milk Carton by Caroline B. Cooney (Gr. 6-8)



From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E. L. Konigsburg (Gr. 4-7)



Give a Boy a Gun by Tod Strasser (Gr. 8+)

Goodbye Time by Celeste Conway (Gr. 4-6)



Habibi by Naomi Shihab Nye (Gr. 5-9)



Happyface by Stephen Emond (Gr. 7-10)



Hatchet by Gary Paulsen (Gr. 8-12)



Holes by Louis Sachar (Gr. 5-8)



Hope was Here by Joan Bauer (Gr. 8+)



I am the Messenger by Markus Zusak (Gr. 9+)

I am the Wallpaper by Mark Peter Hughes (Gr. 6-8)



I'd Tell You I Love You, But Then I Would Have to Kill You by Ally Cater (Gr. 7-10)

Lock and Key by Sarah Dessen (Gr. 7+)



Lockdown by Alexander Gordon Smith (Gr. 6-9)



Memoirs of a Teenage Amnesiac by Gabrielle Zevin (Gr. 8-11)



The Mysterious Benedict Society series by Trenton Lee Stewart (Gr. 5-9)



Other Side of Truth by Beverley Naidoo (Gr. 5-8)



Out of My Mind by Sharon M. Draper (Gr. 4-6)



The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton (Gr. 7-up)



Peak by Roland Smith (Gr. 6-up)



Princess Diaries by Meg Cabot (Gr. 7-up)

Puzzling World of Winston Breen by Eric Berlin (Gr. 4-7)



Reinvention of Moxie Roosevelt by Elizabeth Cody Kimmel (Gr. 5-8)



Romiette and Julio by Sharon Draper (Gr. 6-10)



Ruby Holler by Sharon Creech (Gr. 4-7)



Sasquatch by Roland Smith (Gr. 5-8)



Shooting Kabul by N. H. Senzai (Gr. 5-8)

Secret Crushes by Lisa Greenwald (Gr. 5-8)

Shutout by Brendan Halpin (Gr. 7-9)



Silent to the Bone by E. L. Konigsburg (Gr. 6-8)



Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants by Ann Brashares (Gr. 9-up)



Small Steps by Louis Sachar (Gr. 5-8)



Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson (Gr. 8-up)



Sunrise over Fallujah by Walter Dean Meyers (Gr. 8+)



Tangerine by Edward Bloor (Gr. 6-8)



Ten Things I Hate About Me by Randa Abdel-Fattah (Gr. 7+)

Tentacles by Roland Smith (Gr. 5-8)



TTYL by Lauren Myracle (Gr. 8-10)

Wedding Planner's Daughter by Coleen Paratore (Gr. 4-6)



What Happened to Goodbye and others by Sarah Dessen (Gr. 7+)

FANTASY/SCIENCE FICTION

21 Balloons by William Pene DuBois (Gr. 4-7)



Airman by Eion Colfer (Gr. 7-10)



Alchemyst: The Secrets of The Immortal Nicolas Flamel by Michael Scott (Gr. 6-9)

Andromeda Strain by Michael Crichton (Adult)



Artemis Fowl series by Eoin Fowl (Gr. 5-8)



Bleach series by Tite Kubo (Young Adult)

Chaos King by Laura Ruby (Gr. 5-8)



Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis (Gr. 3-5)



City of Bones by Cassandra Clare (Grade 8 and up)

Conch Bearer by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni (Gr. 4-7)



Dragon Rider by Cornelia Caroline Funke (Gr. 4-8)



Dragon Slippers series by Jessica Day George (Gr. 5-8)



Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine (Gr. 5-8)



Ender's Game by Orson Scott Card (Adult)



Eragon by Christopher Paolini (Gr. 5-up)

Evil Genius by Catherine Jinks (Gr. 7+)

Eyes of the Dragon by Stephen King (Adult)



Fablehaven by Brandon Mull (Gr. 4-7)

Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury (Young Adult)

Fairy's Return by Gail Carson Levine (Gr. 3-5)



Found by Margaret Peterson Haddix (Gr. 4-8)



Frog Princess and others by E.D. Baker (Gr. 4-6)

Girl Who Could Fly by Victoria Forester (Gr. 5-8)



Giver by Lois Lowry (Gr. 6-9)



Golden Compass by Philip Pullman (Gr. 7+)



Gone by Michael Grant (Gr. 6-9)



Goose Girl series by Shannon Hale (Gr. 6-9)



Great and Terrible Beauty by Libba Bray (Gr. 9+)



Gregor the Overlander and others by Roland Smith (Gr. 4-8)

Half upon a Time series by James Riley (Gr. 5-9)



Harry Potter series by J. K. Rowling (Gr. 4-7)

Hunted by P. C. Cast (Gr. 9-up)



High King by Alexander Lloyd (Gr. 4-7)

Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkein (Adult)



Hunger Games series by Suzanne Collins (Gr. 7-up)



Incarceron by Catherine Fisher (Gr. 7+)



Inkheart by Cornelia Caroline Funke (Gr. 4-8)

Jurassic Park by Michael Crichton (Adult)

-  **Just Ella** by Margaret Peterson Haddix (Gr.7-9)
-  **Kane Chronicles** by Rick Riordan (Gr. 4-9)
- Legend** by Marie Lu (Gr. 8-up)
-  **Leviathan** and others by Scott Westerfeld (Gr. 7+)
-  **Lies** by Michael Grant (Gr. 6-9)
-  **Lives of Christopher Chant** by Diana Wynne Jones (Gr. 5-9)
-  **Lost Conspiracy** by Frances Hardinge (Gr. 6-9)
-  **Marked** by P. C. Cast (Gr. 9-up)
-  **Maximum Ride** series by James Patterson (Gr. 6-9)
- Maze Runner** series by James Dashner (Gr. 9-12)
-  **Molly Moon's Incredible Book of Hypnotism** by Georgia Byng (Gr.4-6)
-  **Nine Pound Hammer** by John Claude Bemis (Gr. 4-7)
-  **Once Upon a Marigold** by Jean Ferris (Gr. 5-9)
- Percy Jackson** series by Rick Riordan (Gr. 5-8)
-  **Peter and the Starcatchers** series by Dave Barry and Radley Pearson (Gr. 5-9)
- Phantom Tollbooth** by Norton Juster (Gr. 4-7)
- Ranger's Apprentice** by John Flanagan (Gr. 4-8)
-  **Reckless** by Cornelia Caroline Funke (Gr. 7-10)
-  **Red Pyramid** and others by Rick Riordan (Gr. 4-9)
-  **Roar** by Emma Clayton (Gr. 5-8)
-  **Shiver** and others by Maggie Stiefvater (Gr. 9-up)
-  **Sisters Grimm** series by Michael Buckley (Gr. 4-6)
-  **Small Persons with Wings** by Ellen Booraem (Gr. 5-7)

Sphere by Michael Crichton (Adult)



Tale of Despereaux and others by Kate DiCamillo (Gr. 3+)

Tempted by P. C. Cast (Gr. 9-up)



The Thief Lord by Cornelia Caroline Funke (Gr. 6-8)



Twilight series by Stephanie Meyer (Gr. 9+)



Uglies series by Scott Westerfeld (Gr. 6+)



Unwanteds by Lisa McMann (Gr. 4-7)

Wall and the Wing by Laura Ruby (Gr. 5-8)

Warrior series by Erin Hunter (Gr. 6-9)



When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead (Gr. 5-8)



Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin (Gr. 3-6)



Whisper by Emma Clayton (Gr. 5-8)

MYSTERY/HORROR

Down a Dark Hall by Lois Duncan (Gr. 7-10).



The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman (5-8)



The Monstrumologist series by Rick Yancey (Gr.9 and up)