



Middle School Summer Reading List 2018

REQUIRED BOOKS FOR STUDENTS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL (Classes 6, 7, & 8):

CLASS 6:

Boys entering Class 6:

- *Dave at Night* by Gail Carson Levine
- *Sees Behind Trees* by Michael Dorris

Girls entering Class 6:

- *The War that Saved My Life* by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
- *The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl* by Stacy McAnulty

CLASS 7:

Boys entering Class 7:

- *The Giver* by Lois Lowry
- *Animal Farm* by George Orwell

Girls entering Class 7:

- *I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives* by Caitlin Alifirenka, Liz Welch, and Martin Ganda
- *A Mango-Shaped Space* by Wendy Mass

CLASS 8:

Boys entering Class 8:

- *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton
- *The Old Man and the Sea* by Ernest Hemingway

Girls entering Class 8:

- *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton
- *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd



Each student in the Middle School is expected to read the required books and a minimum of one other book. What follows is a list of suggested titles that cover a variety of reading levels and genres. Students may choose from this list or read any age-appropriate books. We hope everyone finds enjoyable D.E.A.R. time to...

“drop everything and read.”

*Where a title is marked with an asterisk, other books by the same author are also recommended.

FAVORITE TITLES

Allende	Kingdom of the Golden Dragon
Bradley	Flyboys
Craven	I Heard the Owl Call My Name
Cummings	Red Kayak
Curry	Ten Men You Meet in the Huddle
Deuker	Heart of a Champion
Dixon	Key the Kingdom; Lady Friday
Divarkaruni	Conch Bearer
Feldman	The Gollywhopper Games
Funke	Inkheart
Halberstram	Teammates
Henkes	Olive's Ocean
Hiatt	Nine Days
Hunter	Seakers; The Quest Begins; Smoke Mountain
Kidder	Strength In What Remains
Livesey	The Flight of Gemma Hardy
Marx	Season of Life
MacHale	Pendragon: Book 1
O'Grady	Basher Five
Ouimet	A Game of Golf
Palacio	Wonder
Paulsen	Time Hackers
Peet	Keeper
Richardson	House of the Windjammer
Sage	* Magyk (Book 1 of Septimus Heap Series)
Stewart, T.	* The Great Benedict Society (series)
Weis	No Excuses

MYTHOLOGY

Colum	The Children of Odin; The Golden Fleece
Coolidge	*The Trojan War; Greek Myths
Evslin	Adventures of Ulysses; The Greek Gods
Gates	Lord of the Sky: Zeus; A Fair Wind For Troy



Greene The Tale of Troy; Tales of the Greek Heroes
Hamilton Mythology; In the Beginning: Creation Stories
Pogany The Golden Fleece

CLASSICS

Alcott * Rose In Bloom; Jo's Boys
Bagnold National Velvet
Barrie Peter Pan
Bronte, E. Wuthering Heights
Carroll * Alice in Wonderland; Through the Looking-Glass
Cather * O Pioneers
Cooper * The Last of the Mohicans; Leatherstocking Tales
Crane The Red Badge of Courage
Day Life With Father
de Angeli * The Door in the Wall
Defoe Robinson Crusoe
De Saint-Exupery The Little Prince
Dickens * Oliver Twist; A Tale of Two Cities; Great Expectations
Doyle * The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes
Dumas * The Three Musketeers
Frost, Robert * The Road Not Taken and Other Poems
Grahame * The Wind in the Willows
Green, R.L. * King Arthur
Hawthorne * The House of the Seven Gables; Short Stories
Hemingway * Short Stories
Hudson Les Miserables; The Hunchback of Notre Dame
Irving, W. Short Stories; The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
Kipling * Kim; Captains Courageous; The Man Who Would Be King
Lamb Tales From Shakespeare
London The Sea Wolf; The Call of the Wild; White Fang
Monsarret The Cruel Sea
Montgomery * Anne of Avonlea
Nesbit * The Story of the Amulet: the Enchanted Castle
Nordoff and Hall * Mutiny on the Bounty
Poe Tales of Mystery and Terror
Pyle * King Arthur and His Knights; The Story of Sir Launcelot
Remarque * All Quiet on the Western Front
Roberts Boone Island; Arundel
Seton * Wild Animals I have Known
Sewell Black Beauty
Steinbeck * The Pearl; The Moon is Down; The Red Pony



DEXTER SOUTHFIELD

Stevenson	* Kidnapped; Treasure Island
Terhune	* Lad, a Dog
Tolkien	* The Hobbit; The Lord of the Rings Trilogy
Twain	* A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court; Life on the Mississippi
Verne	* Around the World in Eighty Days; 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea
Wells	* War of the Worlds; The Time Machine
White, T.H.	* The Sword in the Stone
Wyss	Swiss Family Robinson

FICTION

Aiken	* Dangerous Games; Midnight Is a Place
Adams	Watership Down; Traveller
Alvarez	How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents
Armstrong	Sounder
Avi	* The Devil's Race; The Man Who Was Poe; Nothing But the Truth
Babbit	* Goody Hall; The Eyes of the Amaryllis
Barron	* The Lost Years of Merlin; The Seven Songs of Merlin; The Fires of Merlin
Blackwood	* Shakespeare Stealer; Shakespeare's Scribe
Bond	* The Best of Enemies; A String in the Harp
Buck	The Big Wave
Card	* Ender's Game; Ender's Shadow
Chevalier	The Girl with the Pearl Earring
Christie	* And Then There Were None; The Murder of Roger Ackroyd
Cisneros	The House on Mango Street
Colfer	* Artemis Fowl
Cooper	* The Dark is Rising; The Grey King; Seaward
Corder	* Lion Boy (series)
Creech	* Walk Two Moons
Crichton	* The Andromeda Strain; The Great Train Robbery; Timeline
Crossley-Holland	* The Seeing Stone; The King Arthur Trilogy
Cussler	* Rising the Titanic; Blue Gold
Dahl	* The Wonderful World of Henry Sugar; The Umbrella Man & Others
Ende	The Neverending Story
Forsyth	* The Day of the Jackal; Odessa File
Gallico	* The Snow Goose
George	* On the Far Side of the Mountain; The Dipper of Copper Creek
Gipson	Old Yeller
Greene	Summer of My German Soldier
Grey	The Shortstop; The Young Pitcher
Grisham	The Pelican Brief; The Summons



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Heinlein	* Orphans of the Sky; Red Planet
Hesse	* Out of the Dust
Higgins	* The Eagle Has Landed; Night of the Fox
Howe	The Misfits
Jaques	* Castaways of the Flying Dutchman; The Angel's Command
Kelley	Trumpeter of Krakow
King	* The Beekeeper's Apprentice
Kjelgaard	* Irish Red; Snow Dog; Storm Warriors
Knowles	* Peace Breaks Out
Langton	* The Fragile Flag; Diamond in the Window
Lasky	* True North; Guardians of Ga'Hoole- the Capture (series)
Lawrence	* The Wreckers: The Smugglers
LeCarre	* A Perfect Spy; Absolute Friends
Lewis, C.S.	* The Screwtape Letters; The Chronicles of Narnia; Out of the Silent Planet
Lowry	* The Giver; Number the Stars; Gathering Blue
MacLean	* Where Eagles Dare
McGraw	* The Golden Goblet
McKinley	* The Hero and the Crown; Beauty; The Blue Sword
Meyer	Mary, Bloody Mary; Doomed Queen Anne
Mitchell	Gone With the Wind
Morris	* The Squire's Tale; Parcifal's Page
Nafisi	Reading Lolita in Tehran
Nixon	* A Deadly Game of Magic
O'Brian	* The Golden Ocean; Blue at the Mizzen; Thirteen Gun Salute
O'Dell	* Sing Down the Moon; The Black Pearl
Paterson	* Lyddie; Park's Quest
Paulsen	* The Island; Canyons; The River; Dogsong; The Voyage of the Frog
Peck	* A Year Down Yonder; Fair Weather; The River Between Us
Philbrick	The Young Man and the Sea
Phlegler	Pilot Down, Presumed Dead
Pope	* The Perilous Gard; The Sherwood Ring
Portis	True Grit
Pullman	* The Golden Compass; The Subtle Knife; The Amber Spyglass
Rawlings	The Yearling
Rawls	Where The Red Fern Grows; Summer of the Monkeys
Reiss	The Upstairs Room; The Journey Back
Riordan	* The Lightning Thief; The Last Olympian
Ritter	Choosing Up Sides
Rushdie	Haroun and the Sea of Stories
Sachar	Holes
Sebestyen	Words By Heart
Serraillier	Escape From Warsaw
Shaara	* Gods and Generals; The Last Full Measure



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Smiley	* Pie in the Sky; A Good Horse; True Blue
Smith	* The #1 Ladies Detective Agency
Speare	* The Sign of the Beaver
Spinelli	* Magic McGee; Wringer; The Loser
Staples	Shabanu, Daughter of the Wind; Havali
Stewart, M.	* The Crystal Cave; The Hollow Hills
Sutcliff	* The Road To Camlann; The Sword in the Circle
Taylor, M	* Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry
Ullman	Banner in the Sky
Voigt	* Jackaroo; Homecoming; The Runner; The Wings of a Falcon
Walsh	* The Emperor's Winding Sheet; A Chance Child
Weaver	Hard Ball; Farm Team
White, T.H.	* The Sword and the Stone
Windspear	* Maisie Dobbs; Birds of a Feather
Wouk	The Caine Mutiny; The City Boy
Yolen	* Dragon's Blood; Young Merlin Trilogy

NON-FICTION

Armstrong, J.	Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World; Shackleton
Armstrong, L.	It's Not about the Bike; Every Second Counts
Arnesen	No Horizon Is So Far; Two Women and Their Historic Journey Across Antarctica
Asimov	Breakthroughs in Science
Boyston	Clara Barton: Founder of the American Red Cross
Bernard	Journey Toward Freedom; The Story of Sojourner Truth
Bradley	Flags of Our Fathers
Brandenberg	Adventures With Artic Wolves
Brooks	Queen Eleanor of Aquitaine; Beyond the Myth: the Story of Joan of Arc
Burchard	Frederick Douglass; For the Great Family of Man
Carter	Talking Peace: a Vision for the Next Generation
Commager	America's Robert E. Lee
Cooper	Jack: The Early Years of John F. Kennedy
Cousins	The Story of Thomas Alva Edison
Cousteau	* The Silent World; Undersea Explorer: The Shark
Curtis	The Watsons Go To Birmingham - 1963
Dash	The World At Her Fingertips: Helen Keller
Daugherty	Daniel Boone
Donovan	PT-109
Douglass	The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass



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Durrell	* A Zoo In My Luggage; The Amateur Naturalist
Ellis	Founding Brothers
Farley	Man O'War
Fendler	Lost on a Mountain in Maine
Fisher	Gandhi
Fleming	The Lincolns
Follet	On Wings of Eagles
Gibson	The Miracle Worker
Glenn	John Glenn: A Memoir
Goodall	Harvest for Hope; The Chimpanzees I Love
Goodridge	A Seal Called Andre
Greenberg & Jordan	Vincent Van Gogh
Gunther	* Death Be Not Proud
Haber	Black Pioneers of Science
Herriot	* James Herriot's Dog Stories
Hersey	Hiroshima; A Single Pebble
Hettinga	The Brothers Grimm: Two Lives, One Legacy
Heyerdahl	* Kon-Tiki; Aku-Aku; The Tigris Expedition
Hickham	October Sky; Rocket Boy ; Coalwood Way
Hillary	High Adventure
Hillebrand	Seabiscuit
Hodges	Of Swords and Sorcerers: The Adventures of King Arthur
Hunt	The Conquest of Everest
Hunter	Child of the Silent Night
Junger	The Perfect Storm
Keller	The Story of My Life
Kennedy	Profiles In Courage
Komroff	Marco Polo
Krakauer	Into Thin Air; Into the Wild; Eiger Dreams
Langguth	Patriots
Lindbergh, C.	We; The Spirit of St. Louis
Lord	A Night to Remember
Macy	A Whole New Ball Game
Mandela	Long Walk to Freedom
McCullough	Brave Companions; John Adams; 1776
McKissack	Sojourner Truth: Ain't I a Woman?
McPhee	A Sense of Where You Are
Michener	Space; Centennial; Alaska
Morison	One Boy's Boston
Morris	Brian Piccaolo: A Short Season
Mowat	* Never Cry Wolf; A Whale for the Killing
North	Mark Twain and the River
Petry	Harriet Tubman



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Phelan	* The Story of the Boston Tea Party
Philbrick	In The Heart of the Sea; Tragedy of the Whaleship Essex
Powell, Colin	My American Journey
Plimpton	* Paper Lion
Rink	Admiral Richard E. Byrd
Roosevelt, D.	Grandmere: Eleanor Roosevelt
Ryan	The Longest Day; A Bridge Too Far (World War II)
Sanburg	Abe Lincoln Grows Up; The Prairie Years
Schary	Sunrise at Campobello (Franklin. D. Roosevelt)
Shirer	The Sinking of the Bismark
Sis	Starry Messenger; Galileo Galilei
Slocum	Sailing Alone Around the World
Sobel	Longitude: The True Story of the Lone Genius Who Solved the Great Scientific Problem of His Time
Sobol	The Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk
Spillebeen	Kipling's Choice
Sullenberger	Highest Duty: My Search for What Really Matters
ten Boom	The Hiding Place
Truman	First Ladies
Washington, B.T.	Up From Slavery
Watkins	So Far From the Bamboo Tree; My Brother, My Sister, and I
White	They Were Expendable
Wiesel	* Dawn
Wooden	They Call Me Coach
Scholastic	Dear America Diaries – assorted titles