

# Summer 2008 Reading Recommendations

## Middle School

6<sup>th</sup> Grade going into 7<sup>th</sup> Grade - and - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade going into 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

To continue to develop your personal tastes in reading and to maintain (and even increase) your reading skill level, please consider selecting 5 or more books to read over the summer months. You may select from the ones listed below or rely on recommendations from friends, family, the public libraries, and national best seller lists.

The Daring Book for Girls	Andrea J. Buchanan
Things Not Seen	Andrew Clements
Toning the Sweep	Angela Johnson
Coraline	Neil Gaiman
The Phantom Tollbooth	Norton Juster
The Girl Who Owned A City	O.T. Nelson
La Linea	Ann Jaramillo
Finishing Becca	Ann Rinaldi
Dragonsong	Anne McCaffrey
Turnabout	Margaret Peterson Haddix
The Schwa Was Here	Neal Shusterman
The Dark Side of Nowhere	Neal Shusterman
Beacon Street Girls series	Annie Bryant
Alex Rider series	Anthony Horowitz
Diamond Brothers series	Anthony Horowitz
Never Mind: A Twin Novel	Avi
The Ghost In the Takaido Inn	Dorothy Hoobler
The Intruders	E.E. Richardson
Summer Reading is Killing Me	Jon Scieszka
Perloo The Bold	Avi
Touching Spirit Bear	Ben Mikaelson
Redwall series	Brian Jacques
The Hunting of the Last Dragon	Sherryl Jordan
Surviving the Applewhites	Stephanie Tolan
Gregor the Overlander	Suzanne Collins
Runner	Carl Deuker
Code Orange	Caroline Cooney
Face on the Milk Carton	Caroline Cooney
Cover-Up	John Feinstein
Vanishing Act	John Feinstein
Chillin: A Guy's Guide to Friendship	Michael A. Sommers
Mary, Bloody Mary	Carolyn Meyer
Dairy Queen	Catherine Gilbert Murdock
Silverfin: A James Bond Adventure	Charlie Higson
When Zachary Beaver Came To Town	Kimberly Willis Holt
Airball: My Life in Briefs	L.D. Harkrader
A Single Shard	Linda Sue Park
Epic	Conor Kostick

The Supernaturalist  
Flipped  
Sammy Keyes series  
The Thief Lord  
Gathering Blue  
Cirque du Freak series  
Shackleton's Stowaway  
The House of Dies Drear  
Eager  
The Breadwinner  
Firegold  
The Ghost In the Takaido Inn  
The Intruders  
Al Capone Does My Shirts  
The Sisters Grimm series  
Midnight Blue  
A Smart Girl's Guide to Sticky Situations  
Supernaturalist  
A Year Down Yonder  
The Lightning Thief  
Diary of a Wimpy Kid  
The Warriors Series  
Nightmare  
Phineas Gage  
Sahara Special  
Kitten Wars  
The Ranger's Apprentice  
Toby Wheeler, 8th grade Benchwarmer  
Game Plan  
The Twinkie Squad  
Schooled  
The Journal of Joshua Loper  
Scorpions  
Technical Foul  
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key  
Once Upon a Marigold  
City of Ember  
Stanford Wong Flunks Big Time  
So Totally Emily Ebers  
The Last Book In The Universe  
Gilda Joyce, Psychic Investigator  
Crossing the Wire  
Ghost Canoe  
Down the Rabbit Hole  
Jade Green  
Rewind  
Zen and the Art of Faking It  
Absolutely Normal Chaos  
Journey to the Center of the Earth  
Define "Normal"  
Reef of Death

Eoin Colfer  
Wendelin Van Draanen  
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Cornelia Funke  
Lois Lowry  
Darren Shan  
Victoria McKernan  
Virginia Hamilton  
Helen Fox  
Deborah Ellis  
Dia Calhoun  
Dorothy Hoobler  
E.E. Richardson  
Gennifer Choldenko  
Michael Buckley  
Pauline Fisk  
Ed. American Girl  
Eoin Colfer  
Richard Peck  
Rick Riordan  
Jeff Kinney  
Erin Hunter  
Joan Lowery Nixon  
John Fleischman  
Esme Raji Codell  
Frazer Lewry  
John Flanagan  
Thatcher Heldring  
Thomas Dygard  
Gordon Korman  
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Walter Dean Myers  
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Rich Wallace  
Jack Gantos  
Jean Ferris  
Jeanne DuPrau  
Lisa Yee  
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Rodman Philbrick  
Jennifer Allison  
Will Hobbs  
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Peter Abrahams  
Phyllis Reynolds Naylor  
William Sleator  
Jordan Sonnenblick  
Sharon Creech  
Jules Verne  
Julie Ann Peters  
Paul Zindel