



Suggested Reading Titles for Middle School Students

Parents are advised to review the books and decide which books are appropriate for their students. Some themes may not be appropriate for all students.

Rising 7th Grade Students

Crenshaw

by Katherine Applegate

Fish in a Tree

by Linda Mullaly Hunt

Lost in the Sun

by Lisa Graff

The Thing About Jellyfish

by Ali Benjamin

The Fourteenth Goldfish

by Jennifer L. Holm

Wonder

by R. J. Palacio

Okay for Now

by Gary D. Schmidt

Out of My Mind

by Sharon Draper

Roller Girl

by Victoria Jamieson

A Handful of Stars

by Cynthia Lord

Half a Chance

by Cynthia Lord

The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy

by Jeanne Birdsall

Chasing Lincoln's Killer

by James L. Swanson

El Deafo

by Cece Bell

Hatchet

by Gary Paulsen

Cosmic

by Frank Cottrell Boyce

Fort

by Cynthia DeFelice

The Paper Cowboy

by Kristin Levine

Wish

by Barbara O'Connor

The Seventh Wish

by Kate Messner

Wishtree

by Katherine Applegate

Rising 8th Grade Students

Elijah of Buxton

by Christopher Paul Curtis

Backlash

by Sarah Darer Littman

A Mad, Wicked Folly

by Sharon Biggs Waller

The Secret Hum of a Daisy

by Tracy Holczer

Counting by 7s

by Holly Goldberg Sloan

Wild Life

by Cynthia DeFelice

Zombie Baseball Beatdown

by Paolo Bacigalupi

We All Fall Down

by Eric Walters

Mockingbird

by Kathryn Erskine

Drama

by Raina Telgemeier

Truce: The Day the Soldiers Stopped Fighting

by Jim Murphy

The Boy on the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible . . .

On Schindler's List, A Memoir

by Leon Leyson

One for the Murphys

by Linda Mullaly Hunt

The House of the Scorpion

by Nancy Farmer

We Were Liars

by E. Lockhart

Everlost

by Neal Shusterman

Partials

by Dan Wells

The Eighth Day

by Dianne K. Salerni

Space Case Series

by Stuart Gibbs

The Littlest Bigfoot

by Jennifer Weiner

Little Bigfoot, Big City

by Jennifer Weiner

Mayday

by Karen Harrington

The Seventh Most Important Thing

by Shelley Pearsall

House Arrest

by K.A. Holt

Rising 9th Grade Students

Orbiting Jupiter

by Gary D. Schmidt

Bamboo People

by Mitali Perkins

Gym Candy

by Carl Deuker

The Haunting of Sunshine Girl

by Paige McKenzie

Twisted

by Laurie Halse Anderson

I Kill the Mockingbird

by Paul Acampora

The Boys in the Boat: The True Story of an American Team's Epic Journey to Win Gold at the 1936 Olympics, Adapted for Young Readers

by Gregory Mone

The President Has Been Shot!: The Assassination of John F. Kennedy

by James L. Swanson

Uglies Series

by Scott Westerfeld

Antsy Does Time

by Neal Shusterman

The Schwa Was Here

by Neal Shusterman

The Crossover

by Kwame Alexander

Monster

by Walter Dean Myers

The Madman of Piney Woods

by Christopher Paul Curtis

Between Shades of Gray

by Ruta Sepetys

Hidden

by Helen Frost

Legend

by Marie Lu

Salt to the Sea

by Ruta Sepetys

Refugee

by Alan Gratz

Terror at Bottle Creek

by Watt Key

The Trail

by Meika Hashimoto

Any Middle School Student

The War That Saved My Life

by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

The Amulet series (graphic novel)

by Kazu Kibuishi

The Sisters Grimm Series

by Michael Buckley

Everest Trilogy

by Gordon Korman

Flipped

by Wendelin Van Draanen