



# 2017-2018 6th, 7th, and 8th grades Summer Reading Assignment

## 2017 Summer Reading Assignment and Recommendations

1. Choose one of the novels on this handout to read during the summer.
2. Takes notes as necessary while you read.
3. Bring to class on the first day of school either the novel you read or the notes you took while reading the book or both.
4. Prepare to be assessed during the first week of school. You will need to have access to your reading selection in order to integrate specific details from the text into your writing.

The following list of recommended titles is a list of age appropriate books that are well written and interesting to the reader. Many of the titles have the Lexile scores to help aid your student in finding an appropriate book.

### Newer Young Adult Series Titles

*Divergent* series by Veronica Roth

*Wimpy Kid* series by Jeff Kinney

*The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak

*Lightning Thief* series by Rick Riordan

*Golden Compass* by Phillip Pullman

*Maximum Ride* series by James Patterson

*The Fault in Our Stars* by John Green

<b>Name of Recommended Series</b>	<b>Author</b>
<i>Bloody Jack series</i>	Myer, Louis A.
<i>Chronicles of Narnia</i>	Lewis, C.S.
<i>Chronicles of Prydain</i>	Alexander, Lloyd
<i>Dear America</i>	Various Authors, Scholastic
<i>Dork Series</i>	Gorman, Carol
<i>Hercule Poirot Mysteries</i>	Christie, Agatha
<i>Herculeah Jones Mysteries</i>	Byars, Betsy
<i>Horse Stories</i>	Henry, Marguerite
<i>Jane Marple Mysteries</i>	Christie, Agatha
<i>Joey Pigza</i>	Gantos, Jack
<i>My Name is America</i>	Various Authors, Scholastic
<i>Orphan Train Adventures</i>	Nixon, Joan Lowery
<i>Orphan Train Quartet</i>	Nixon, Joan Lowery
<i>Princess Diaries</i>	Cabot, Meg
<i>Rowan</i>	Rodda, Emily
<i>Royal Diaries Series</i>	Various Authors, Scholastic
<i>Shakespeare Series</i>	Blackwood, Gary
<i>Stormbreaker Series: Alex Rider Adventure</i>	Horowitz, Anthony
<i>The Lord of the Rings (Trilogy)</i>	Tolkien, J.R.R.
<i>The Quilt Trilogy</i>	Rinaldi, Ann
<i>The Tucket Adventures</i>	Paulsen, Gary



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<i>Abacadabra Kid: A Writer's Life (940)</i>	Fleischman, Sid
<i>After the Rain (660)</i>	Mazer, Norma Fox
<i>Al Capone Does My Shirts (NA)</i>	Chlodenko, G.
<i>Among the Hidden (800)</i>	Haddix, Margaret
<i>Anna of Byzantium (910)</i>	Barrett, Tracy
<i>Apprenticeship of Lucas Whitaker, The (830)</i>	DeFelice, Cynthia
<i>Backwater (810)</i>	Bauer, Joan
<i>Bandit's Moon (690)</i>	Fleischman, Sid
<i>Battle of Jericho, The (700)</i>	Draper, Sharon
<i>Becoming Naomi Leon (830)</i>	Ryan, Pam Munoz
<i>Beyond the Western Sea: Book 1 and 2 (690)</i>	Avi
<i>Bound (NA)</i>	Napoli, Donna Jo
<i>Boy at War: A Novel of Pearl Harbor, A (530)</i>	Mazer, Harry
<i>Calico Captive (900)</i>	Speare, Elizabeth George
<i>Captain Horatio Hornblower (NA)</i>	Forester, C.S.
<i>Chasing Redbird (860)</i>	Creech, Sharon
<i>Chicken Boy (860)</i>	Dowell, Frances O'Roark
<i>Cloud Chamber, The (NA)</i>	Maynard, Joyce
<i>Coach's Daughter, The (NA)</i>	McGowan, Wandra Daniel
<i>Coraline (740)</i>	Gaiman, Neil
<i>Corner of the Universe, A (750)</i>	Martin, Ann M.
<i>Cowboys of the Wild West (1160)</i>	Freedman, Russell
<i>Cry of the Icemark (1140)</i>	Hill, S
<i>Cryptid Hunters (750)</i>	Smith, Roland
<i>Daughter of Venice (720)</i>	Napoli, Donna Jo
<i>Day of Tears (Non-Prose)</i>	Lester, Julius
<i>Double Identity (810)</i>	Haddix, Margaret Peterson
<i>Downriver ((760)</i>	Hobbs, Will
<i>Edge on the Sword, The (930)</i>	Tingle, Rebecca
<i>Ella Enchanted (670)</i>	Levine, Gail
<i>Ender's Game (780)</i>	Card, Orson Scott
<i>Esperanza Rising (750)</i>	Ryan, Pam Munoz
<i>Eyes of the Emperor (630)</i>	Salisbury, Graham
<i>Fairest (590)</i>	Levine, Gail Carson
<i>Fever, 1793 (580)</i>	Anderson, Laurie Halse
<i>Flipped (720)</i>	Van Draanen, Wendelin
<i>Girl from Yamhill, A (1040)</i>	Cleary, Beverly
<i>Girl Who Ate Chicken Feet, The (930)</i>	DiCamillo, Kate
<i>Girlhearts (600)</i>	Mazer, Norma Fox



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<i>Golden Compass, The (930)</i>	Pullman, Phillip
<i>Haunting, The (820)</i>	Nixon, Joan Lowery
<i>Hidden Talents (620)</i>	Lubar, David
<i>Hit and Run (570)</i>	Stine, R.L.
<i>Hitch (830)</i>	Ingold, Jeanette
<i>Homeless Bird (800)</i>	Whelan , Gloria
<i>Hope Was Here (710)</i>	Bauer, Joan
<i>Hound of the Baskervilles, The (1090)</i>	Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan
<i>House of the Scorpion (660)</i>	Farmer, Nancy
<i>I Thought My Soul Would Rise and Fly (820)</i>	Hansen, Joyce
<i>Ice Story: Shackleton's Lost Expedition (1130)</i>	Kimmell, Elizabeth Cody
<i>In Darkness, Death (760)</i>	Hoobler, Dorothy
<i>Jade Green: A Ghost Story (1040)</i>	Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds
<i>Jake's Orphan (790)</i>	Brooke, Peggy
<i>Jar of Dreams, A (970)</i>	Uchida, Yoshiko
<i>Just Ella (850)</i>	Haddix, Margaret
<i>Just Jane (740)</i>	Lavender, William
<i>Kavik, The Wolf Dog (740)</i>	Morey, Walt
<i>King of Shadows, The (1010)</i>	Cooper, Susan
<i>King's Shadow, The (940)</i>	Alder, Elizabeth
<i>Kissing Doorknobs (730)</i>	Hesser, Terry Spencer
<i>Kit's Wilderness (470)</i>	Almond, David
<i>Knots in My Yo-Yo String (980)</i>	Spinelli, Jerry
<i>Last Shot (760)</i>	Feinstein, John
<i>Liberation of Gabriel King, The (780)</i>	Going, K.L.
<i>Life and Death of Crazy Horse, The (1100)</i>	Freedman, Russell
<i>Locked in Time (990)</i>	Duncan, Lois
<i>Long Way from Chicago, A (750)</i>	Peck, Richard
<i>Love that Dog (1010)</i>	Creech, Sharon
<i>Maze, The (720)</i>	Hobbs, Will
<i>Memory Boy (570)</i>	Weaver, Will
<i>Mick Harte Was Here (730)</i>	Pack, Barbara
<i>Miracle's Boys (660)</i>	Woodson, Jacqueline
<i>Mississippi Bridge (810)</i>	Taylor, Mildred
<i>Moves Make the Man, The (1150)</i>	Brooks, Bruce
<i>Murder for Her Majesty, A (690)</i>	Hilgartner, Beth
<i>My Side of the Mountain (810)</i>	George, Jean Craighead
<i>Night Hoops (630)</i>	Deuker, Carl
<i>Nightjohn (770)</i>	Paulsen, Gary



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<i>Nobody's There</i> (630)	Nixon, Joan Lowery
<i>On the Far Side of the Mountain</i> (760)	George, Jean Craighead
<i>One True Friend</i> (720)	Hansen, Joyce
<i>Other Side of Truth, The</i> (710)	Naidoo, Beverly
<i>Out of the Darkness: The Story of Louis Braille</i> (1000)	Freedman, Russell
<i>Peter and the Star Catchers</i> (770)	Barry, Dave
<i>Pirates</i> (800)	Celia Rees
<i>Princess Academy</i> (890)	Hale, Shannon
<i>Punished</i> (540)	Lubar, David
<i>Randall's Wall</i> (730)	Fenner, Carol
<i>Ransom of Mercy Carter, The</i> (730)	Cooney, Caroline
<i>Revealers, The</i> (580)	Wilhelm, Doug
<i>Ribbons</i> (710)	Yep, Laurence
<i>Riding Freedom</i> (710)	Ryan, Pam Munoz
<i>Robinson Crusoe</i> (930)	Defoe, Daniel
<i>Safe-Keeper's Secret, The</i> (860)	Shinn, Sharon
<i>Sally Ride: Shooting for the Stars</i> (NA)	Hurwitz, Jane and Sue
<i>Scribbler of Dreams</i> (640)	Pearson, Mary
<i>Sea of Trolls, The</i> (670)	Farmer, Nancy
<i>Secret of Castle Cant, The</i> (970)	Bath, Kevin P
<i>Secrets of a Wildlife Watcher</i> (900)	Arnosky, Jim
<i>Seeing Stone, The</i> (640)	Crossley-Holland, Kevin
<i>Shakespeare's Secret</i> (NA)	Broach, Elise
<i>Silent to the Bone</i> (810)	Konisburg, E.L.
<i>Single Shard, A</i> (920)	Park, Linda Sue
<i>Sixth Grade Glommers, Norks, and Me</i> (650)	Papademetriou, Lisa
<i>Skeleton Man</i> (730)	Bruchac, Joseph
<i>Skin I'm In, The</i> (670)	Flake, Sharon
<i>Smugglers, The</i> (640)	Lawrence, Iain
<i>Snow</i> (NA)	Lynn, Tracy
<i>Soul Surfer</i> (960)	Hamilton, Bethany
<i>Story of Thomas Edison, The</i> (950)	Cousins, Margaret
<i>Strider</i> (840)	Cleary, Beverly
<i>Surviving the Applewhites</i> (820)	Tolan, Stephanie
<i>That Summer</i> (1020)	Sarah Dessen
<i>The Greatest: Muhammed Ali</i> (1030)	Myers, Walter Dean
<i>Thief Lord, The</i> (640)	Funke, Cornelia
<i>Ties That Bind, Ties That Break</i> (830)	Namioka, Lensey
<i>Time of Angels, A</i> (650)	Hesse, Karen



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<i>Torn Thread</i> (880)	Isaacs, Anne
<i>Touching Spirit Bear</i> (670)	Mikaelsen, Ben
<i>Traitor: The Case of Benedict Arnold</i> (1020)	Fritz, Jean
<i>Turn Homeward, Hannalee</i> (830)	Beatty, Patricia
<i>Twisted Summer</i> (840)	Roberts, Willo Davis
<i>Two Princesses of Bamarre, The</i> (570)	Levine, Gail Carson
<i>Uglies</i> (770)	Westerfield, Scott
<i>Under a War-Torn Sky</i> (640)	Elliott, Laura
<i>Under the Watson's Porch</i> (NA)	Shreve, Susan
<i>Vanishing Chip</i> (700)	Delaney, Mark
<i>Voyage on the Great Titanic</i> (1010)	White, Ellen Emerson
<i>When Pigs Fly</i> (770)	Wood, June Rae
<i>When Zachary Beaver Came to Town</i> (700)	Holt, Kimberly
<i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i> (700)	Rawls, Wilson
<i>Wild Man Island</i> (690)	Hobbs, Will
<i>Williwaw</i> (910)	Bodett, Tom
<i>Wind in the Willows</i> (920)	Grahame, Kenneth
<i>Wind Singer</i> (770)	Nicholson, William
<i>Windcatcher</i> (540)	Avi
<i>Wolves of Willoughby Chase, The</i> (1020)	Aiken, Joan
<i>Wreckers, The</i> (640)	Lawrence, Iain
<i>Wright 3</i> (770)	Balliett, Blue
<i>Wringer</i> (690)	Spinelli, Jerry
<i>You Want Women to Vote, Lizzie Stanton?</i> (870)	Fritz, Jean
<i>Zel</i> (630)	Napoli, Donna Jo
<i>Tangerine</i> (680)	Bloor, Edward