

Extra Summer Reading Challenge Book List

Grades 5-6

Fantasy

Heartless Marissa Meyer (2016)

The Girl Who Drank the Moon Kelly Barnhill (2016)

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon Grace Lin (2009)

The Little Prince Antoine de Saint-Exupery (1943)

Circus Mirandus Cassie Beasley (2015)

Tangle of Knots Lisa Graff (2013)

Any from the following series:

Tui T. Sutherland:

Wings of Fire

The Menagerie

John Flanagan:

The Ranger's Apprentice

The Royal Ranger

Brotherband Chronicles

Brandon Mull:

Fablehaven

Carrie R. Wheadon:

Artemis Fowl

Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel

C.S. Lewis:

The Chronicles of Narnia

Science Fiction

Cosmic Frank Cottrell Boyce

(2010) *City of Ember* Matt Berman

(2004) Any from the following

series:

Things Not Seen Andrew Clements (2005)

The People of Sparks Jeanne DuPrau (2004)

Margaret Peterson Haddix:

The Missing

Shadow Children

Children of Exile

Scott Westerfield:

Uglies Quartet

Kathy Reichs:

Virals

Mystery

Any books from the following series:

Carolyn Keene

Nancy Drew

Franklin W. Dixon

The Hardy Boys

Trenton Lee Stewart

The Mysterious Benedict Society Collection

Historical Fiction

The Blackbird Girls Anne Blankman (2020)

The War that Saved My Life Kimberly Brubaker Bradley (2015)

Esperanza Rising Pam Munoz Ryan (2000)

Inside Out and Back Again Thanhha Lai (2011)

The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate Jacqueline Kelly (2009)

Elijah of Buxton Christopher Paul Curtis (2007)

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry Mildred D. Taylor (1976)

Number the Stars Lois Lowry (1989)

Nory Ryan's Song Patricia Reilly Giff (2002)

Iron Thunder: The Battle Between the Monitor & the Merrimac: A Civil War Novel Avi (2009)

Shooting Kabul N. H. Senzai (2011)

Bridge to Terabithia Katherine Paterson (1977)

Non-Fiction Science

Bugged: How Insects Changed History Sarah Albee (2014)

Kakapo Rescue: Saving the World's Strangest Parrot Sy Montgomery (2010) *Chasing*

the Storm: Tornadoes, Meteorology, and Weather Watching Ron Miller (2014)

Running Dry: The Global Water Crisis Stuart A. Kallen (2015)

Outbreak! Plagues That Changed History Bryn Barnard (2005)

Poison: Deadly Deeds, Perilous Professions, and Murderous Medicines Sarah Albee (2017)

Biomimicry: Inventions Inspired by Nature Dora Lee (2011)

Building Big David Macaulay (2000)

Almost Astronauts: 13 Women Who Dared to Dream Tanya Lee Stone (2009)

Non-Fiction History

The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler John Hendrix (2018) *The*

World Jesus Knew: A Curious Kid's Guide to Life in the First Century Marc Olson (2017) *If*

Stones Could Speak: Unlocking the Secrets of Stonehenge Marc Aronson (2010)

At Home in Her Tomb: Lady Dai and the Ancient Chinese Treasures of Mawangdui Christine Liu-Perkins (2014)

Lincoln's Grave Robbers Steve Sheinkin (2013)

Rad Women Worldwide: Artists and Athletes, Pirates and Punks, and Other Revolutionaries Who Shaped History Kate Schatz (2016)

Team Moon: How 400,000 People Landed Apollo 11 on the Moon Catherine Thimmesh (2006)

The Century for Young People Peter Jennings and Todd Brewster (1999)

Biography/Autobiography

Susan B. Anthony: The Making of America, Book 4 Teri Kanefield (2019)

The Beloved World of Sonia Sotomayor Sonia Sotomayor (2019)

This Promise of Change: One Girl's Story in the Fight for School Equality Jo Ann Allen Boyce, Debbie Levy (2019)

Jim Thorpe Story Gene Schoor (1951)

Vincent and Theo: The Van Gogh Brothers Deborah Heiligman (2017)

Undeclared: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team Steve Sheinkin (2017)

Unbroken (The Young Adult Adaptation): An Olympian's Journey from Airman to Castaway to Captive Laura Hillenbrand (2014)

When I Was a Turkey: Based on the Emmy Award-Winning PBS Documentary My Life as a Turkey Joe Hutto (2017)

Non-Fiction Inspirational

Battlefield of the Mind for Kids Joyce Meyer and Karen Moore (2006)

Case for Christ--Student Edition Lee Strobel and Jane Vogel (2002)

The Radical Book for Kids: Exploring the Roots and Shoots of Faith Champ Thornton (2016)

A Girl After God's Own Heart®: A Tween Adventure with Jesus Elizabeth George (2010) *A*

Boy After God's Own Heart: Your Awesome Adventure with Jesus Jim George (2012)

Grace, Gold, and Glory My Leap of Faith Gabrielle Douglas (2013)

My Faith Kurt Johnston, Mark Oestreicher (2006)

Classics

Old Yeller Fred Gipson (1958)

The Black Stallion Walter Farley (1941)

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz L. Frank Baum (1900)

The Incredible Journey Sheila Burnford (1960)

The Little Prince Antoine de Saint-Exupéry (1933)

A Little Princess Frances Hodgson Burnett (1905)

Little Women Louisa May Alcott (1868)

The Red Pony John Steinbeck (1933)

White Fang Jack London (1906)
Around the World in 80 Days Jules Vern (1872)

A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court Mark Twain (1889)

Grades 7-8

Fantasy

Heartless Marissa Meyer (2016)

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows J.K. Rowling (2007)

The Reader Traci Chee (2016)

Any from the following series:

Christopher Paolini:

The Inheritance Cycle

Tales from Alagaësia

Ransom Riggs:

Mrs. Peregrine's Peculiar Children

Tui T. Sutherland:

Wings of Fire

The Menagerie

Mary Eisenhart:

The Apothecary

John Flanagan:

The Ranger's Apprentice

The Royal Ranger

Brotherband Chronicles

Cornelia Funke:

Inkworld

Mirrorworld

Roderick Gordon, Brian Williams:
Tunnels

Science Fiction

The Martian Andy Weir (2014)

I am Number Four Pittacus Lore (2010)

Matched Ally Condie (2010)

Leviathan Scott Westerfield (2009)

The Always War Margaret Peterson Haddix (2011)

Any from the following series:

Margaret Peterson Haddix:
The Palace Chronicles

Richard Paul Evans:
Michael Vey

Historical Fiction

Between Shades of Gray Ruta Sepetys (2011) *The*

Boy in the Striped Pajamas John Boyne (2006)

The Devil's Arithmetic Jane Yolen (1988)

Prisoner B-3087 Alan Gratz (2013)

Projekt 1065 Alan Gratz (2016)

Grenade Alan Gratz (2018)

The Book Thief Markus Zusak (2006)

Soldier Boys Dean Hughes (2015)

Non-Fiction Science

Beastly Brains: Exploring How Animals Think, Talk, and Feel Nancy Castaldo (2017)

Bioluminescence: Nature and Science at Work Marc Zimmer (2015)

Trapped: How the World Rescued 33 Miners from 2,000 Feet Below the Chilean Desert Marc Aronson (2011)

Eyes Wide Open: Going Behind the Environmental Headlines Paul Fleischman (2014)

Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story About Brain Science John Fleischman (2002)

The Human Microbiome: The Germs That Keep You Healthy Rebecca E. Hirsch (2016)

Frozen in Time: Clarence Birdseye's Outrageous Idea About Frozen Food Mark Kurlansky (2014)

Artificial Intelligence: Building Smarter Machines Stephanie Sammartino McPherson (2017)

Recentering the Universe: The Radical Theories of Copernicus, Kepler, Galileo, and Newton Ron Miller (2013)

Biography/Autobiography

I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives Martin Ganada, Caitlin Alifrenka, Liz Welch (2015)

Night Elie Wiesel (1956)

I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World Malala Yousafzai, Patricia McCormick (2014)

Shoe Dog: Young Readers Edition Phil Knight (2017)

Charles and Emma: The Darwins' Leap of Faith Deborah Heiligman (2008)

Alexander Hamilton, Revolutionary Martha Brockenbrough (2017)

Inspirational Non-Fiction

Live to Give Austin Gutwein (2012)

Visual Theology: Seeing and Understanding the Truth About God Tim Challies and Josh Byers (2016)

The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens Sean Covey (2002)

A Young Woman After God's Own Heart®: A Teen's Guide to Friends, Faith, Family, and the Future Elizabeth George (2015)

A Young Man After God's Own Heart: A Teen's Guide to a Life of Extreme Adventure Jim George (2015)

The Power of a Praying® Teen Stormie Omartian (2015)

Who Moved My Cheese? for Teens Spencer John (2002)

Don't Check Your Brains at the Door Josh McDowell, Bob Hostetler (2011)

Historical Non-Fiction

Bomb: The Race to Build -- and Steal -- the World's Most Dangerous Weapon Steve Sheinkin (2016)

Boots on the Ground: America's War in Vietnam Elizabeth Partridge (2018) *Crash:*

The Great Depression and the Fall and Rise of America Marc Favreau (2018)

The Great American Dust Bowl Don Brown (2013)

The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights Steve Sheinkin (2014)

In The Shadow of Liberty: The Hidden History of Slavery, Four Presidents, and Five Black Lives
Kenneth C. Davis (2016)

The Great Fire Jim Murphy (1995)

Classics and Realistic Fiction

Treasure Island Robert Louis Stevenson (1883)

The Time Machine H.G. Wells (1895)

A Day No Pigs Would Die Robert Newton Peck (1972)

Peak Roland Smith (2007)

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn Mark Twain (1884)

The Count of Monte Cristo Alexandre Dumas (1844)*

The Hunchback of Notre Dame Victor Hugo (1831)*

Robinson Crusoe Daniel Defoe (1719)

Pride and Prejudice Jane Austin (1813)*

The Bridge of San Luis Rey Thornton Wilder (1927)

Mystery

The Mysterious Adventures of Sherlock Holmes Arthur Conan Doyle (1982)

*Considered a more challenging read and may be above your student's reading

level