

8TH GRADE SUMMER READING LIST 2011

Choose one title from this list and read it over the summer. When you return to school in the fall, you will complete an assignment in your ELA class about your book.

REALISTIC FICTION

Boost

by Catherine Mackel

The Chocolate War

by Cormier

The Fattening Hut

by Pat Lowry Collins

Freaky Green Eyes

by Joyce Carol Oates

Heat

by Mike Lupica

Izzy, Willy Nilly

by Cynthia Voight

Kira Kira

by Cynthia Kadohata

Little Brother

by Corey Doctorow

Samurai Shortstop

by Alan Gratz

Shabanu

by Suzanne Fisher Staples

Shadow of The Dragon

by Sherry Garland

Sunrise Over Fallujah

by Walter Dean Myers

Tangerine

by Edward Bloor

The Truth About Forever

by Sarah Dessen

Trouble

by Gary Schmidt

Whale Talk

by Chris Crutcher

MYSTERY/SUSPENSE/ ADVENTURE

And Then There Were None

by Agatha Christie

Afrika

by Colleen Cray

The Body of Christopher Creed

by Carol Plum-Ucci

Cirque du Freak Series

by Darren Shan

The Diamond of Drury Lane

by Julia Golding

The Door of No Return

by Sarah Mussi

The Hound of The Baskervilles

by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

I Am The Cheese

by Robert Cormier

The Killer's Cousin

by Nancy Werlin

Killing Mr. Griffin

by Lois Duncan

Rebecca

by Daphne Du Maurier

Something Wicked This Way Comes

by Ray Bradbury

HISTORICAL FICTION

The Astonishing Life of Octavian

Nothing, Traitor to the Nation: The Pox Party

by M. T. Anderson

Blood Red Horse (series)

by K. M. Grant

Bog Child by Siobhan Dowd

The Book Thief

by Markus Zusak

The Boy Who Dared

by Susan Campbell

A Break With Charity

by Ann Rinaldi

Carl and Emile by Yanker Glatshteyn **Chains**

by Laurie Halse Anderson

The Contender by Robert L Cormier

Copper Sun

by Sharon Draper

The Desperado Who Stole Baseball

By John Ritter

Frederick by Richter

Ivy

by Julie Hearn

Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy

by Gary Schmidt

Newfoundland

by Alan Wolf

Ties That Bind, Ties That Break

by Lensey Wamioka

SCIENCE FICTION/FANTASY

Adoration of Jenna Fox

by Mary Pearson

Andromeda Strain

by Michael Crichton

Beast

by Donna Jo Napoli

Bound

by Donna Jo Napoli

Briar Rose

by Jane Yolan

A Curse as Dark as Gold

By Elizabeth Bunce

Dune

by Frank Hebert

Fantastic Voyage

by Isaac Asimov

A Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy

by Doug Adams

I, Robot

by Isaac Asimov

Life as We Knew It

by Susan Beth Pfeffer

The Lord of the Rings (series)

by J.R.R. Tolkien

The Martian Chronicles

by Ray Bradbury

Oh, My, Gods.

by Tera Lynn Childs

The Once and Future King

by T.H. White

Pretties

by Scott Westerfield

Snakehead

by Wendy Lamb

Twilight (series)

by Stephenie Meyer

Uglies

by Scott Westerfield

Wicked

by Gregory Maguire

A Wizard of Earthsea

by Ursula K. LeGuin

Zel (Rapunzel)

by Donna Jo Napoli

HUMOR

The Absolutely True Story of a Part-Time Indian

by Sherman Alexie

Girl, 15, Charming But Insane

by Sue Limb

How Not to Spend Your Senior Year

by Cameron Dokey

The Salem Witch Tryouts

by Kelly McClymer

Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie

by David Lubar

Son of the Mob

by Gordon Korman

Twenty-Four Girls in Seven Days

by Alex Bradley

NONFICTION/BIOGRAPHY

An American Plague

by Jim Murphy

Angela's Ashes

by Frank McCourt

Black Hawk Down

by Mark Bowden

A Brief History of Time

by Stephen Hawking

Chinese Cinderella

by Adeline Yen Mah

Every Day Life in the Massachusetts Bay Colony

by George Francis Dow

Falling Leaves

by Adeline Yen Mah

Free the Children

by Craig Kielburger

Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl

by Harriet Jacobs

In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whaleship Essex

by Nathaniel Philbrick

Into Thin Air

by Jon Krakauer

The Life and Death of Adolph Hitler

by James Cross Giblin

The Many Rides of Paul Revere

by James Cross Giblin

The Mayflower and the Pilgrims' New World

by Nathaniel Philbrick

Profiles in Courage

by John F. Kennedy

Tasting the Sky: A Palestinian Childhood

by Ibtisam Barakat

Warriors Don't Cry

by Melba Patillo Beals and Anne Greenberg

CLASSICS

Bells On Their Toes

by Frank Gilbreth, Jr. and Ernestine Gilbreth Carey

Cheaper By the Dozen

by Frank Gilbreth, Jr. and Ernestine Gilbreth Carey

Death Be Not Proud

by John Gunther

The Good Earth

by Pearl Buck

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings

by Maya Angelou

The Last of the Mohicans

by James Fenimore Cooper

My Antonia

by Willa Cather

The Old Man and the Sea

by Ernest Hemmingway

The Once and Future King

by T.H. White

The Pearl

by John Steinbeck

The Time Machine

by H.G. Wells

Treasure Island

by Robert Louis Stevenson

A Tree Grows in Brooklyn

by Betty Smith

Twenty Thousand Leagues Under The Sea

by Jules Verne