

Suggestions for Summer Reading for 2009  
Seventh and Eighth Grades

**Read any of these titles.**

**Read other books by these authors.**

**Read a series.**

**Read books not on this list.**

**Read at least four books.**

**Just read, read, read...**

**Science Fiction**

Babbit	Tuck Everlasting
Christopher	The Tripod Series
Dickinson	Eva
Haddix	Running Out of Time
Huxley	Brave New World
Farmer	The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm
L'Engle	A Wrinkle in Time
Sachar	Holes
Sleator	Interstellar Pig
Almond	Skelling
Bradbury	Fahrenheit 451
LeGuin	Wizard of Earthsea
Nix	Sabriel
Pearce	Tom's Midnight Garden
Pullman	The Golden Compass
Wells	War of the Worlds

**Adventure**

Bauer	On My Honor
Eckert	Incident at Hawk's Hill
Cole	The Goats
George	Frightful
Hobbs	Bearstone
	Far North
	Ghost Canoe

Lowry	A Summer to Die
Mazer	Snow Bound
Paulsen	Hatchet
	Canyons
Alexander	Illyrian Adventure
	Westmark
Read	Alive

### **Historical Fiction**

Auch	Ashes of Roses
Avi	The Fighting Ground
	True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle
Beatty	Charlie Skedaddle
Collier	Jump Ship to Freedom
Fast	April Morning
Greene	Summer of My German Solider
Hamilton	The House of Dies Drear
Hunt	Across Five Aprils
Keith	Rifles for Waite
Lester	To Be A Slave
Levitan	Journey to America
Mitchell	Gone With the Wind
Myers	Fallen Angels
	Glory Field
Paulsen	The Rifle
Reiss	The Upstairs Room
Remarque	All Quiet on the Western Front
Richter	Friedrich
Whelan	Goodbye, Vietnam
Yolen	The Devil's Arithmetic

### **Animal Stories**

Durrell	My Family and Other Animals
Fox	One-Eyed Cat
Gavin	Ring of Bright Water
Hillenbrand	Seabiscuit
London	White Fang

Steinbeck  
Hiaasen

The Call of the Wild  
The Red Pony  
Hoot

### **Fantasy**

Alexander  
Almond  
Cooper  
Ibbotson  
Jacques  
Tolkien

The Iron Ring  
Kit's Wilderness  
Over Sea, Over Stone  
Secret of Platform 13  
Redwall  
The Hobbit  
The Lord of the Rings

### **Mystery**

Avi  
Bellairs  
Cooper  
Coville  
Haddon  
  
Hamilton  
Christie  
Duncan

Something Upstairs  
House with a Clock in Its Walls  
The Boggart  
My Teacher is an Alien  
The Curious Incident of the Dog in  
the Night-time  
The House of Dies Drear  
And Then There Were None  
What Did You Do Last Summer?

### **Contemporary Fiction**

Anonymous  
Avi  
Benchley  
Bloor  
Cisneros  
Cormier  
Guest  
Hickman  
Kinsella  
Knowles  
Lipsyte

Go Ask Alice  
Nothing But the Truth  
Jaws  
Tangerine  
The House on Mango Street  
The Chocolate War  
Ordinary People  
Rocket Boys  
Shoeless Joe  
A Separate Peace  
One Fat Summer  
The Contender  
Hoops

Lowry	The Boxer The Messenger Gathering Blue
Gaines	A Gathering of Old Men
Hinton	That Was Then, This Is Now Tex Taming the Star Runner Rumble Fish
Holman	Slake's Limbo
Humphrey	The Ordways
Keyes	Flowers For Algernon
Martinez	Parrot in the Oven
Myers	Scorpion Monster
Peck	A Day No Pigs Would Die
Spinelli	Maniac Magee
Zindel	The Pigman

**Non-Fiction**

Brokaw	A Long Way From Home
Chestnut	A Diary from Dixie
Halberstam	The Teammates
McCain	Character is Destiny
McCullough	Johnstown Flood
O'Conner	Lazy B
Schlosser	Fast Food Nation
Gunther	Death Be Not Proud