

Summer Reading Recommendations 7th - 8th Grade

Required reading for students entering 7th Grade:

Jack London: *The Call of the Wild*
Two other books from this list

Required reading for students entering 8th Grade:

John Steinbeck: *Of Mice and Men*
One other book from this list

Great books for 7th and 8th Graders:

Douglas Adams: *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*
Louisa May Alcott: *Little Women*
Kwame Alexander: *The Crossover, Booked, Rebound*
Sherman Alexie: *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*
David Arnold: *Mosquitoland*
Jeannine Atkins: *Finding Wonders*
Natalie Babbitt: *Tuck, Everlasting*
CeCe Bell: *El Deafo (graphic novel)*
Ray Bradbury: *Fahrenheit 451*
Carmen Bredeson: *After the Last Dog Died*
Michael Brooke: *The Concrete Wave: The History of Skateboarding*
Dori Hillestad Butler: *Sliding into Home*
Lewis Carroll: *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*
Svetlana Chmakova: *Awkward, Brave, Crush (graphic novels)*
Tom Clancy: *The Hunt for Red October*
Ernest Cline: *Ready Player One*
Suzanne Collins: *The Hunger Games* trilogy
Robert Cormier: *The Chocolate War*
Sharon Creech: *Walk Two Moons, Absolutely Normal Chaos*
Michael Crichton: *Jurassic Park, The Andromeda Strain*
Roald Dahl: *Boy: Tales of Childhood*
James Dashner: *The Maze Runner* series

Sharon Draper: *Out of My Mind*

Joe Duce: *The Rig*

Alexander Dumas: *The Three Musketeers, The Count of Monte Cristo*

John Green: *Looking for Alaska, Paper Towns*

John Grisham: *Theodore Boone series*

Kristen Gudsruk: *Making Friends series (graphic novels)*

Margaret Peterson Haddix: *Among the Hidden series, The Missing series*

Robert Heinlein: *Stranger in a Strange Land*

Ernest Hemingway: *The Old Man and the Sea*

Karen Hesse: *Stowaway*

Frank Herbert: *Dune*

S.E. Hinton: *The Outsiders*

Lynda Mulaly Hunt: *Shouting at the Rain*

Lynne Kelly: *Song for a Whale*

Kazu Kibuishi: *Amulet series (graphic novels)*

Sue Monk Kidd: *The Secret Life of Bees*

Jerry Kraft: *New Kid (graphic novel)*

Steven L. Lane: *This Side of Paradise*

Jack London: *White Fang*

Lois Lowry: *The Giver series*

Yann Martel: *Life of Pi*

Mark Mathabane: *Kaffir Boy: The True Story of a Black Youth Coming of Age SA*

Kayla Miller: *Act, Click, Camp (graphic novels)*

Walter Dean Myers: *Monster, Game, Fallen Angels, Hoops*

Trevor Noah: *It's Trevor Noah: Born a Crime: YA Edition*

George Orwell: *Animal Farm*

Chase Owen: *The Wreck of the Whaleship Essex*

Linda Sue Park: *A Single Shard*

Gary Paulsen: *The Transall Saga*

R.J. Palacio: *White Bird (graphic novel)*

Chaim Potok: *The Chosen, My Name is Asher Lev*

Ayn Rand: *Anthem*

Ellen Raskin: *The Westing Game*

Marjorie K. Rawlings: *The Yearling*
Jason Reynolds: *Ghost series, Long Way Down, Look Both Ways*
Caroline Tung Richmond: *The Only Thing to Fear, Live in Infamy*
Ransom Riggs: *Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children*
Paul Rosenthal: *America at Bat*
Val Ross: *The Road to There: Mapmakers and Their Stories*
Veronica Roth: *Divergent series*
J.D. Salinger: *The Catcher in the Rye*
Ruth Sepetys: *Salt for the Sea*
John Steinbeck: *Travels with Charley in Search of America*
Robert Louis Stevenson: *Treasure Island*
Theodore Taylor: *The Cay*
Raina Telgemeier: *Smile, Sisters, Drama, Ghosts, Guts (graphic novels)*
Angie Thomas: *The Hate You Give, On the Come Up*
Brenda Thummler: *Sheets (graphic novel)*
J.R.R. Tolkien: *The Hobbit, The Lord of the Rings trilogy*
Mark Twain: *Adventure. of Tom Sawyer, Adventures of Huck Finn*
Padma Venkatraman: *The Bridge Home*
Mi Vlda: *Parrot in the Oven*
Cynthia Voigt: *The Tilleran Cycle series*
T.H. White: *The Sword in the Stone*
Brenda Woods: *The Unsung Hero of Birdsong, USA*
Jacqueline Woodson: *Brown Girl Dreaming*
Rick Yancey: *The Fifth Wave*
Paul Zindel: *Rats*
Marcus Zusak: *The Book Thief*