

Shelton Middle School
Summer Reading List for Students Entering
Sixth Grade

Clifton, Lutricia. Freaky Fast Frankie Joe, 2012.

Twelve-year-old Frankie Joe Huckaby, forced to live with the father he never knew, a stepmother, and four half-brothers in Illinois, starts a delivery service to finance his escape back to his mother in Texas, not realizing he is making a better life for himself than he ever had with her.

Sherry, Maureen. Walls Within Walls, 2010.

When the Smithfork family moves into a lavish Manhattan apartment building, they discover clues to a decades-old mystery hidden behind the walls of their new home.

Clements, Andrew. Lunch Money, 2007.

Almost every kid at school has an extra quarter or two to spend almost every day. Multiply a few quarters by a few hundred kids, and for Greg Kenton, school suddenly looks like a giant piggy bank. What to sell? Candy and gum? Little toys? Sure kids would love to buy stuff like that at school, but would teachers and the principal permit it? But what about comic books, especially the chunky little ones that Greg writes and illustrates himself. After all, everybody knows that school always encourages reading, writing, creativity, and individual initiative, right?

Mack, W.C. Athlete vs. Mathlete, 2013.

Owen Evans lights up the scoreboards. His brother, Russell, rocks the school boards. These twin brothers couldn't be more different. They've long kept the peace by going their separate ways, but all that is about to change. The new basketball coach recruits Russell for the seventh grade team and a jealous Owen has to fight to stay in the game. When someone tries to steal Russell's spot as captain of the mathlete team, will the two be able to put aside their differences in order to save his position? Or will they be sidelined?

Peck, Richard. A Long Way From Chicago: a Novel in Stories, 1998.

During the Great Depression, a boy recounts his annual summer trips with his sister to visit their grandmother in rural Illinois. The children learn a lot through the many adventures with grandma. ***Book Report Rescue Selection***