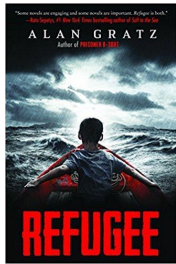


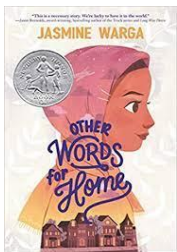
Maret School: 7th Grade Required Reading

History: *Refugee* by Alan Gratz*



Although separated by continents and decades, Josef, a Jewish boy living in 1930s Nazi Germany; Isabel, a Cuban girl trying to escape the riots and unrest plaguing her country in 1994; and Mahmoud, a Syrian boy in 2015 whose homeland is torn apart by violence and destruction, embark on harrowing journeys in search of refuge, discovering shocking connections that tie their stories together

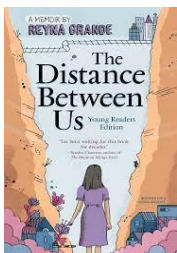
English: Choose **ONE** of the Following Books



Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga*

Jude never thought she'd be leaving her beloved older brother and father behind, all the way across the ocean in Syria. But when things in her hometown start becoming volatile, Jude and her mother are sent to live in Cincinnati with relatives. Everything in America seems too fast and too loud but also brings unexpected surprises--there are new friends, a whole new family, and a school musical that Jude just might try out for. Maybe America, too, is a place where Jude can be seen as she really is.

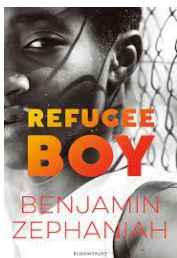
Learn more about Syria here: <https://school.eb.com/levels/middle/article/Syria/277994>



The Distance Between Us (Young Readers Edition) by Reyna Grande*

When her parents make the dangerous and illegal trek across the Mexican border in pursuit of the American dream, Reyna and her siblings are forced to live with their stern grandmother, as they wait for their parents to build the foundation of a new life. But when things don't go quite as planned, Reyna finds herself preparing for her own journey to "El Otro Lado" to live with the man who has haunted her imagination for years: her long-absent father. Learn more about immigration here:

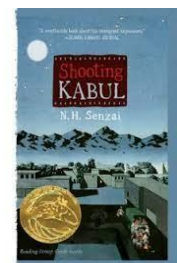
<https://school.eb.com/levels/middle/article/immigration-to-the-United-States/631487>



Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah*

Alem is enjoying a London holiday with his father from his home in Ethiopia. One morning, Alem wakes up to find his father has left him. When the owner of the bed and breakfast hands him a letter, Alem finds out his father admits that because of the political problems in Ethiopia both he and Alem's mother felt Alem would be safer in London. Alem is now in the hands of the social services and the Refugee Council. He lives from letter to letter, waiting to hear from his family, who has now gone missing. Learn more about Ethiopia and Eritrea here: <https://school.eb.com/levels/middle/article/Ethiopia/274217>

<https://school.eb.com/levels/high/article/Eritrea/108371>



Shooting Kabul by N.H. Senzai*

In the summer of 2001, Fadi's parents make the difficult decision to illegally leave Afghanistan and move to the United States. When their underground transport arrives, chaos ensues, his younger sister Mariam accidentally lets go of his hand and becomes lost in the crowd as Fadi is snatched up into the truck. With Taliban soldiers closing in, the truck speeds away, leaving Mariam behind. When a photography competition with a grand prize trip to India is announced, Fadi sees his chance to return to Afghanistan and find his sister. But can one photo really bring Mariam home? Learn more about Afghanistan here:

<https://school.eb.com/levels/middle/article/Afghanistan/272743>

*Starred titles are available for checkout online from Sora.

Maret School: 7th Grade Recommended Reading

Students should consider reading beyond the requirements this summer to discover more books they enjoy.

Science Fiction & Fantasy

Ship Breaker by Paolo Bacigalupi*

In a future version on America's Gulf Coast, Nailer scavenges old ships to make ends meet until one day after a hurricane he spots a beautiful crashed ship and gets caught up in the adventure of his life.

Seraphina by Rachel Hartman*

Seraphina joins the castle as a musician but hides a dangerous secret—she is half human, half dragon, in a kingdom where tensions are high and there is barely peace between the two races.

The Interrogation of Ashala Wolf by Ambelin Kwaymullina*

Following an environmental apocalypse known as the Reckoning, the government in this futuristic version of Australia fears and detains "Illegals" like Ashala who have developed superhuman abilities.

Sabriel by Garth Nix*

Sabriel has always lived outside the Old Kingdom, away from the dead who refuse to stay dead. But now her father, the Abhorson, is missing, and Sabriel must cross into that world to find him.

Monstrumologist by Richard Yancey*

Will Henry works for a scientist dedicated to the study of monsters, but nothing prepares him for what happens when a grave robber comes knocking late one night.

Nonfiction & Graphic Novels

Almost American Girl: An Illustrated Memoir by Robin Ha*

After her Korean mother's decision to marry a man in Alabama, 14-year-old Chuna, grapples with culture shock, bullying, and integrating into a new family. It isn't until her mother reminds her of her love of comics and drawing that Chuna, now going by Robin, begins to thrive.

Titanic: Voices from the Disaster by Deborah Hopkinson*

This book chronicles the events leading up to, during, and after the Titanic disaster, including accounts from crew members and people traveling in first, second, and third class.

Stamped: Racism, Antiracism and You by Jason Reynolds*

This is NOT a history book. This is a book about the here and now. A book to help us better understand why we are where we are. A book about race. The construct of race has always been used to gain and keep power, to create dynamics that separate and silence. A timely, crucial, and empowering exploration of racism—and antiracism—in America

All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boy's Soccer Team by Christina Soontornvat*

On June 23, 2018, twelve young players of the Wild Boars soccer team and their coach enter a cave in northern Thailand. But when they turn to leave, rising floodwaters block their path out. Before long, news of the missing team spreads, launching a seventeen-day rescue operation involving thousands of rescuers from around the globe.

Dragon Hoops by Gene Luen Yang*

Gene doesn't get sports but he loves superhero comics. He lost interest in basketball long ago, but at the high school where he now teaches, it's all anyone can talk about. The boy's varsity team, the Dragons, is having a phenomenal season that brings them closer to their ultimate goal: the California State Championships. Once Gene gets to know these young all-stars, he realizes that their story is just as thrilling as anything he's seen on a comic book page.

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