

# Suggested Summer Reading

Reading is one of the greatest pastimes of summer. Students can go to faraway places, hunt for ghosts or treasure, or be stranded in the Canadian wilderness. They can do this with only a simple trip to the library. Here are some great books to try. Check your local libraries!

Any of the **Newbery Honor or Award books!** For a listing of these books, go to their website:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/newberymedal/newberymedal.cfm>

Any of the **Caldecott Award or Honor books!** For a listing of these books, go to their website:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/caldecottmedal/caldecottmedal.cfm>

Any book from the **ALSC Notable List!** For a listing of these, go to their website:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb/index.cfm>

**Anything by these authors:** Lloyd Alexander, Ally Carter, Beverly Cleary, Andrew Clements, Eoin Colfer, Susan Cooper, Gordon Korman, Roald Dahl, Doris Gates, Margaret Peterson Haddix, Mary Downing Hahn, Deborah and James Howe, Diana Wynne Jones, E. L. Konigsburg, Madeleine L'Engle, Lois Lowry, A. A. Milne, Donna Jo Napoli, Phyllis Reynolds Naylor, James Patterson, Gary Paulsen, Richard Peck, Daniel Pinkwater, Rick Riordan, Louis Sachar, Jon Scieszka, Kate Seredy and Roland Smith.

## **Other suggestions:**

**Adventure Books:** by Robert Louis Stevenson, Daniel Defoe, Jules Verne, Kenneth Oppel, Michele Torrey, Hugh Montgomery, Will Hobbs, Gary Paulsen, Zizou Corder, Cornelia Funke, Iain Lawrence, or Joan Aiken

**Family Stories:** by Elizabeth Enright, Eleanor Estes, Sydney Taylor, Maud Hart Lovelace, Carol Ryrie Brink, Jeanne Birdsall, Jordan Sonnenblick, Tim Kennemore, Katherine Paterson, Hilary McKay, Rachel Cohn, or Pam Munoz Ryan

**Animals:** by Sheila Burnford, Robert Lawson, Dick King Smith, Kenneth Grahame, Dietlof Reiche, Donna Jo Napoli, Tasha Tudor, Alan Armstrong, Erin Hunter, Walter R. Brooks, Randall Jarrell, George Seldon, Kathryn Lasky, E. B. White, Ellen Miles

**Autobiographies:** by Farley Mowat, William Kurelek, Tomie dePaola, Lawrence Yep, Lois Lowry, Beverly Cleary, Jean Fritz, Sid Fleischman, or Bill Peet

**Biographical Fiction:** by Lean Lee Latham, Elizabeth Borton, E. L. Konigsburg, or Barbara Nichol.

**Boys:** by Thomas Rockwell, Jack Gantos, John D. Fitzgerald, Jennifer Choldenko, Graham Salisbury, Armstrong Perry, Polly Horvath, Frank Cottrell Boyce, Louise Arnold, Joseph Bruchac, Allen Kurzweil, Roald Dahl, Norton Juster, Judy Blume, Louis Sachar, Avi, Jerry Spinelli, Matthew Cody, Pseudonymous Bosch, Chris Lynch, Carl Bowen, or Dr. Cuthbert Soup

**Dragons:** by Cornelia Funke, Patricia C. Wrede, Jason Hightman, Chris D'Lacey, Bruce Coville, or Tui Sutherland

**Friends:** by Zilpha Keatley Snyder, Deborah Wiles, Adrian Fogelin, Julie Anne Peters, Paula Danzinger, Ann M. Martin, Jane Kurtz, Nikki Grimes, Farley Mowat, Anne Fine, Frances O'Roark Dowell, Jean Thesman, Michael Morpurgo, Natalie Babbitt, Eleanor Estes, Louis Slobodkin, Kate DiCamillo, or Elizabeth George Speare

**Gifted and Talented:** by Andrew Clements, Raymond Briggs, Wendelin Van Draanen, Louis Sachar, Eoin Colfer, Sheila Greenwald, Jacqueline Woodson, Blue Balliett, or Trenton Lee Stewart

**Girls:** by Gail Carson Levine, Astrid Lindgren, Audrey Coulombis, Louise Fitzhugh, Jean Craighead George, Robert C. O'Brien, Sarah Weeks, Carol Ryrie Brink, Avi, Virginia Hamilton, Rumer Godden, Eva Ibbotson, Shannon Hale, Robin McKinley, Diane Duane, or Ally Carter

**Historical Fiction:** by Margaret McMullen, Elaine Marie Alphin, Gary Blackwood, Deborah Hopkinson, Brian Selznick, Lee Kochenderfer, Karen Hesse, Patricia MacLachlan, Elizabeth George Speare, Gary D. Schmidt, Christopher Paul Curtis, or Alan Armstrong

**Laugh Out Loud:** by Betty McDonald, Helen Cresswell, Daniel Pinkwater, Robert McCloskey, Philip Pullman, Terry Pratchett, Richard and Florence Atwater, Barbara Park, Gordon Korman, Sid Fleischman, Louis Sachar, Paul Rosenthal, or Jody Feldman

**Non-Fiction:** Anything that interests you!

**Poem books:** anything by Shel Silverstein, Jack Prelutsky, Bruce Lansky, and many more!

**Sad:** by Judith Viorst, Tomie dePaola, Katherine Paterson, Beverly Naidoo, Sharon Creech, Cynthia Rylant, Eleanor Estes, Deborah Wiles, Valerie Hobbs, Sally Warner, Audrey Coulombis, Kevin Henkes, Alfred Slote, Gary D. Schmidt, Kate DiCamillo, or Cynthia Kadohata

**Scary:** by John Bellairs, Debi Gliori, Darren Shan, Angela Sommer-Bodenburg, Edward Bloor, Eva Ibbotson, Anthony Horowitz, Philip Pullman, James Lincoln Collier, Cynthia DeFelice, Joan Aiken, Alvin Schwartz, Maggie Pearson, Betty Ren Wright, Peg Kehret, Eric Sanvoisen, Donna Latham, John Connolly, David Sinden, R.D. Henham, Melissa Strangway, Neil Gaiman, Dean Lorey, Mary Downing Hahn, or Richard and Judy Dockrey Young

**Series:** by J.K. Rowling, Brian Jacques, J.R.R. Tolkien, Marguerite Henry, Anthony Horowitz, Carolyn Keene, Frank Dixon, Margaret Peterson Haddix, Eoin Colfer, Jeanne DuPrau, C.S. Lewis, Edward Eager, Suzanne Collins, Rick Riordan, Lucy Maud Montgomery, Judy Blume, The 39 Clues series, each by a different author; John Flanagan, P. B. Kerr, Jeff Kinney, Michelle Paver, Garth Nix, James Patterson, Trenton Lee Stewart, Jenny Nimmo, D. J. McHale, Lemony Snicket, Patrick Carman, Derek Landy, Ridley Pearson, Avi, Michael Buckley, Justin Somper, Chris Lynch, Carl Bowen, Eva Gray, Ally Condie, Tui Sutherland

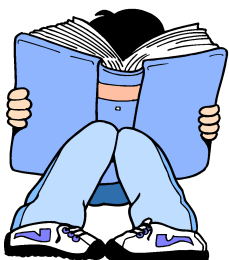
**Sports:** by John R. Tunis, Mike Lupica, Jake Maddox, Bruce Brooks, Carl Deuker, Walter Dean Myers, L.D. Harkrader, John Feinstein, Carol Anderson and Stevie Thomas, Charles R. Smith, Jr., Kathy Mackel, Dan Gutman, Alfred Slote, Jerry Spinelli, Daniel J. Hale, Tim Green, Mike Lupica and Matthew LeBrot.

**These websites listed below offer online books, too many to list here. Please look at the books ahead of time to make sure the books match your family's principles and values!**

<http://www.childrenslibrary.org/icdl/SimpleSearchCategory?ilang=English>

<http://www.magickeys.com/books/>

<http://www.funbrain.com/brain/ReadingBrain/ReadingBrain.html>



**And of course, you can always ask your friends what they suggest and read that!!**