

4-5 Summer Reading Recommendation List 2023

(starred books are next year's Amazing Reading Challenge books)

Fantasy

***Battle Dragons: City of Thieves** by Alex London
Cattywampus by Ash Van Otterloo
Children of the Fox by Kevin Sands
Eva Evergreen, Semi-Magical Witch by Julie Abe
Shad Hadid and the Alchemists of Alexandria by George Jreije
Spell Sweeper by Lee Edward Fodi
The Bookshop of Dust and Dreams by Mindy Thompson
The Guardian Test by Christina Soontornvat
The Insiders by Mark Oshiro
The Marvellers by Dhonielle Clayton

Realistic Fiction

***Ben Yokoyama and the Cookie of Doom** by Matthew Swanson
***Rez Dogs** by Joseph Bruchac
***Song for a Whale** by Lynne Kelly
Answers in the Pages by David Levithan
How to Win a Slime War by Mae Respicio
Barakah Beats by Maleeha Siddiqui
Chance to Fly by Ali Stroker
Fast Pitch by Nic Stone
Maizy Chen's Last Chance by Lisa Yee
Playing the Cards You're Dealt by Varian Johnson
A Kind of Spark by Elle McNicoll
The Boys in the Back Row by Mike Jung
The Midnight Children by Dan Gemeinhart
The Shape of Thunder by Jasmine Warga

Historical Fiction

Barefoot Dreams of Petra Luna by Alda P. Dobbs
Bayou Magic by Jewell Parker Rhodes
Clan by Sigmund Brouwer
Mighty Inside by Sundee Frazier
Resistance by Jennifer A. Nielsen
The Blackbird Girls by Anne Blankman

Science Fiction

Glitch by Laura Martin

Last Gamer Standing by Katie Zhao
Last Gate of the Emperor by Kwame Mbalia
Maya and the Robot by Eve L. Ewing
Moongarden by Michelle A. Barry
Trouble in the Stars by Sarah Prineas

Adventure

96 Miles by J. L. Esplin
Alone by Megan E. Freeman
Concealed by Christina Diaz Gonzalez

Animals

Odder by Katherine Applegate
The Great Pet Heist by Emily Ecton
The Silver Arrow by Lev Grossman

Scary

The Clackity by Lora Senf
The Girl and the Ghost by Hanna Alkaf
The Monsters of Rookhaven by Pádraig Kenny
The Smashed Man of Dread End by J. W. Ocker

Mystery

The Einsteins of Vista Point by Ben Guterson
The Many Mysteries of the Finkel Family by Sarah Kapit
The Swifts: A Dictionary of Scoundrels by Beth Lincoln

Graphic Novels

***Hoops** by Matt Tavares
Anne of West Philly by Ivy Noelle Weir
Catherine's War by Julia Billet
Chunky by Yehudi Mercado
Four Eyes by Rex Ogle
Garvey's Choice by Nikki Grimes
Invisible by Christina Day Gonzalez
Long Distance by Whitney Gardner
Play Like a Girl by Misty Wilson
Squished by Megan Wagner Lloyd

Non-Fiction

Fallout: Spies, Superbombs and the Ultimate Cold War Showdown by Steve Sheinkin
The Eagle Huntress by Aisholpan Nurgaiv