Suggested Reading Grades six through eight

24 Hours in Nowhere by Dusti Bowling

A Crack in the Sea by H.M. Bouwman

A Dash of Dragon by Heidi Lang and Kati Bartkowski

A Face Like Glass by Frances Hardinge

A Place to Belong by Cynthia Kadohata

A Rambler Steals Home by Carter Higgins

A Single Stone by Meg McKinlay

A Story about Cancer (with a Happy Ending) by India Desigrdins

Accused! The Trials of the Scottsboro Boys:Lies, Prejudice, and the Fourteenth Amendment by Larry D. Brimner

All the Greys on Greene Street by Laura Tucker

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

All's Faire in Middle School by Victoria Jamieson

Almost American Girl: An Illustrated Memoir by Robin Ha

Almost Paradise by Corabel Shofner

Amina's Voice by Hena Khan

An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States for Young People by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz.

Armstrong and Charlie by Steven B. Frank

As Brave as You by Jason Reynolds

Ashes to Asheville by Sarah Dooley

Beach Party Surf Monkey by Chris Grabenstein

Beetle Boy by M. G. Leonard

Before the Ever After by Jacqueline Woodson

Belle Teal by Ann M. Martin

Beverly, Right Here by Kate DiCamillo

Beyond the Bright Sea by Lauren Wolk

Big & Little Questions (According to Wren Jo Byrd) by Julie Bowe

Big Mouth & Ugly Girl by Joyce Carol Oates

Bloomability by Sharon Creech

Bodyguard by Chris Bradford (series)

Booked by Kwame Alexander

Born to Fly: The First Women's Air Race across America by Steve Sheinkin

Boy X by Dan Smith

Braced by Alyson Gerber

Breakout by Kate Messner

Brother's Keeper by Julie Lee

Bucking the Sarge by Christopher Paul Curtis

Bud Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

Captain Superlative by J.S. Puller

Children of the Red King (series) by Jenny Nimmo

Cilla Lee-Jenkins, Author Extraordinaire by Susan Tan

Clayton Byrd Goes Underground by Rita Williams-Garcia

Counting by 7s by Holly Goldberg Sloan

Courage for Beginners by Karen Harrington

Dazzle Ships: World War I and the Art of Confusion by Chris Barton

Deliver Us from Normal by Kate Klise

Dragon Hoops by Gene Luen Yang

Dream On, Amber by Emma Shevah

Drums, Girls & Dangerous Pie by Jordan Sonnenblick

Elatsoe by Darcie Little Badge

Elephant Secret by Eric Walters

Elon Musk and the Quest for a Fantastic Future Young Reader's Edition by Ashlee Vance

Ethan Marcus Stands Up by Michele Weber Hurwitz

Fatal Fever: Tracking Down Typhoid Mary by Gail Jarrow

Fearsome Creatures of the Lumberwoods by Hal Johnson

Felix Yz by Lisa Bunker

Fenway and Hattie and the Evil Bunny Gang by Victoria Coe

Fighting Words by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Finding Perfect by Elly Schwartz

Fish Girl by David Weisner and Donna Jo Napoli

Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

Five Worlds: The Sand Warrior

Flying Lessons & Other Stories by Ellen Oh, editor

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Flying Solo by Ralph Fletcher

Forever, or a Long, Long Time by Caela Carter

Forget-Me-Not by Ellie Terry

Framed! by James Ponti

Frazzled: Everyday Disasters and Impending Doom by Booki Vivat

Freak the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick

Fudge (series) by Judy Blume

Full of Beans by Jennifer Holm

Games of Deception: The True Story of the First U.S. Olympic Basketball Team at the 1936 Olympics

in Hitler's Germany by Andrew Maraniss

Garvey's Choice by Nikki Grimes

Genesis Begins Again by Alicia D. Williams

George by Alex Gino

Georgia Rules by Nanci Turner Steveson

Gertie's Leap to Greatness by Kate Beasley

Ghost by Jason Reynolds

Go with the Flow by Lily Williams and Karen Schneemann

Grand Canyon by Jason Chin

Greetings from Witness Protection by Jake Burt

Grounded: The Adventures of Rapunzel by Megan Morrison

Hamster Princess: Giant Trouble by Ursula Vernon

Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly

Hidden Figures Young Reader's Edition by Margot Lee Shetterly

Hour of the Bees by Lindsay Eagar

How to (Almost) Ruin Your Summer by Taryn Souders

How to Stage a Catastrophe by Rebecca Donnelly

Howard Wallace, P.I. by Casey Lyall

I Can Make This Promise by Christine Day

I Got This: To Gold and Beyond by Laurie Hernandez

If Found Please Return to Elise Gravel by Elisa Gravel

In the Footsteps of Crazy Horse by Joseph Marshall

Infinite Hope: A Black Artist's Journey from World War II to Peace by Ashley Bryan

Isaac The Alchemist: Secrets of Isaac Newton, Reveal'd by Mary Losure

It Ain't So Awful, Falafel by Firoozeh Dumas

It's a Mystery, Pig Face! by Wendy McLeod MacKnight

Ivy Aberdeen's Letter to the World by Ashley Herring Blake

Junior Lifeguards (series) by Elizabeth Doyle Carey

Katana at Super Hero High by Lisa Yee

Knockout by K.A. Holt

Land of the Cranes by Aida Salaza

Last Day on Mars by Kevin Emerson

Lemons by Melissa Savage

Life on Surtsey: Iceland's Upstart Island by Loree Griffin Burns

Lion: A Long Way Home by Saroo Bradley

Listen, Slowly by Thanhhà Lai

Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds

Look Both Ways: A Tale Told in Ten Blocks by Jason Reynolds

Lost in the Sun by Lisa Graff

Louis Undercover by Fanny Britt

Love, Ish by Karen Rivers

Lucky Broken Girl by Ruth Behar

Makoons by Louise Erdrich (series)

Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli

Mark of the Thief by Jennifer A. Nielsen

Masterminds by Gordon Korman

Matylda, Bright and Tender by Holly M. McGhee

Maybe He Just Likes You by Barbara Dee

Me & Miranda Mullaly by Jake Gerhardt

Mice of the Round Table by Julie Leung

Midnight Without a Moon by Linda Williams Jackson

Momotaro Xander and the Dream Thief by Margaret Dilloway

Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War by Steve Sheinkin

Moving Target by Christina Diaz Gonzalez

Mrs. Smith's Spy School for Girls by Beth McMullen

New Kid by Jerry Craft

Nightbooks by J.A. White

Nothing but the Truth by Avi

Omega City by Diana Peterfreund

One Hundred Spaghetti Strings by Jen Nails

One Last Word: Wisdom from the Harlem Renaissance by Nikki Grimes

One Shadow on the Wall by Leah Henderson

Ordinary Hazards: A Memoir by Nikki Grimes

Orphan Island by Laurel Snyder

Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga

Out of Wonder by Kwame Alexander

Panda-Monium (series) by Stuart Gibbs

Paperboy by Vince Vawter

Patina by Jason Reynolds

Piecing Me Together by Renée Watson

Playing Atari with Saddam Hussein by Jennifer Roy

Poisoned Water: How the Citizens of Flint, Michigan, Fought for Their Lives and Warned the Nation by

Candy J. Cooper and Marc Aronson

Posted by John David Anderson

Presenting Buffalo Bill: The Man Who Invented the Wild West by Candace Fleming

Prisoner of Ice and Snow by Ruth Lauren

Quicksand Pond by Janet Taylor-Lisle

Randoms by David Liss

Raybearer. By Jordan Ifueko

Real Friends by Shannon Hale

Refugee by Alan Gratz

Rhythm Ride: A Road Trip through the Motown Sound by Andrea Davis Pinkney

Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson

Rooting for Rafael Rosales by Kurtis Scaletta

Sal & Gabi Break the Universe by Carlos Hernandez

Samurai Rising by Pamela S. Turner

Schomburg: The Man Who Built a Library by Carole Boston Weatherford

See You in the Cosmos by Jack Cheng

Shadows of Sherwood by Kekla Magoon

Short by Holly Goldberg Sloan

Side Tracked by Diana Harmon Asher

Silent Days, Silent Dreams by Allen Say

Siren Sisters by Dana Langer

Slam! by Walter Dean Myers

Slider by Pete Hautman

Small Spaces by Katherine Arden

Snail Mail, No More by Paula Danziger and Ann M. Martin

Snapdragon by Kat Leyh

Soccer Sisters by Andrea Montalbano

Some Writer! The Story of E.B. White by Melissa Sweet

Spy on History: Mary Bowser and the Civil War Spy Ring by Tony Cliff and Enigma Alberti

Step Up to the Plate, Maria Singh by Uma Krishnaswami

Sticks and Stones by Abby Cooper

Strange Birds: A Field Guide to Ruffling Feathers by Celia C. Pérez

Strange Fruit: Billie Holiday and the Power of a Protest Song by Gary Golio

Superman Smashes the Klan by Gene Luen Yang

Survivors of the Holocaust: True Stories of Six Extraordinary Children Ed by Kath Shackleton

Taking Sides by by Gary Soto

Terror at Bottle Creek by Watt Key

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

The Adventurers Guild by Zack Loran Clark

The Adventurer's Guide to Successful Escapes by Wade Albert White

The Best Man by Richard Peck

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind Young Reader's Edition by William Kamkwamba

The Boys Who Challenged Hitler: Knud Pedersen and the Churchill Club by Phillip Hoose Farrar

The Candymakers and the Great Chocolate Chase by Wendy Mass

The Castle in the Mist by Amy Ephron

The Dragon with a Chocolate Heart by Stephanie Burgis

The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora by Pablo Cartaya

The Ethan I Was Before by Ali Standish

The Explorers: The Door in the Alley by Adrienne Kress

The First Rule of Punk by Celia C. Perez

The Friendship Experiment by Erin Teagan

The Frog Princess Returns by Ed Baker

The Gauntlet by Karuna Riazi

The Girl in the Well is Me by Karen Rivers

The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Kelly Barnhill

The Giver Quartet by Lois Lowry

The Goat by Anne Fleming

The Great Treehouse War by Lisa Graff

The Inquisitor's Tale, or, the Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog by Adam Gidwitz

The Jumbies by Tracey Baptiste

The Kindness Club: Chloe on the Bright Side by Courtney Sheinmel

The List by Patricia Forde

The Magic Fish by Trung Le Nguyen

The Mark of the Dragonfly by Jaleigh Johnson

The Matchstick Castle by Keir Graff

The Mesmerist by Ronald L. Smith

The Metropolitans by Carol Goodman

The Misfits by James Howe

The Murderer's Ape by Jakob Wegelius

The Nerdy Dozen by Jeff Miller

The Nest by Kenneth Oppel

The Other Half of Happy by Rebecca Balcárcel.

The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton

The Playbook: 52 Rules to Aim, Shoot, and Score in This Game Called Life by Kwame Alexander

The Poet's Dog by Patricia MacLachlan

The Poison Eaters: Fighting Danger and Fraud in our Food and Drugs by Gail Jarrow

The Road to Ever After by Moira Young

The Skin I'm In by Sharon Flake

The Someday Birds by Sally Pla

The Star Thief by Lindsay Becker

The Stars Beneath Our Feet by David Barclay Moore

The Tragically True Adventures of Kit Donovan by Patricia Bailey

The Unbreakable Code by Jennifer Bertman

The Uncommoners: The Crooked Sixpence by Jennifer Bell

The War I Finally Won by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

The War That Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

The Wednesday Wars by Gary Schmidt

The Whiz Mob and the Grenadine Kid by Colin Meloy

The Whydah: A Pirate Ship Feared, Wrecked & Found by Martin W. Sandler

The Wingsnatchers: Carmer and Grit by Sarah Jean Horwitz

The Wish by Gail Carson Levine

The Year We Fell from Space by Amy Sarig King

They Called Us Enemy by George Takei, Justin Eisinger, and Steven Scott

This Light Between Us: A Novel of World War II. By Andrew Fukuda

This Promise of Change:One Girl's Story in the Fight for School Equality by JoAnn Allen Boyce & Debbie Levy

Thornhill by Pam Smy

Torpedoed: The True Story of the World War II Sinking of "The Children's Ship" by Deborah Heiligman.

Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky by Kwame Mbalia

Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt

Twelve Days in May: Freedom Ride 1961 by Larry Dane Brimner

Unicorn Crossing: Another Phoebe and Her Unicorn Adventure (series) by Dana Simpson

Vilonia Beebe Takes Charge by Kristin L. Gray

Wait, What? A Comic Book Guide to Relationships, Bodies, and Growing Up by Heather Corinna

Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech

We Are Displaced: My Journey and Stories from Refugee Girls around the World by Malala Yousafzai

Well, That Was Awkward by Rachel Vail

When Friendship Followed Me Home by Paul Griffin

Where the Heart Is by Jo Knowles

Wing and Claw #2: Cavern of Secrets by Linda Sue Park (series)

Wish by Barbara O'Connor

Wolf Hollow by Lauren Wolk

Wonder by R.J. Palacio

Words on Fire by Jennifer Nielsen

Wringer by Jerry Spinelli