

Summer Reading Lists for Grade Six, Seven, and Eight Grade

School Year 2010 – 2011

*Of all the diversions of life, there is none so proper to fill up
its empty spaces as the reading of useful and entertaining authors.
~ Joseph Addison ~*

Key: B&N – Barnes and Noble; L – Library; S – Scholastic Books

Grade 6:

1. *A Friendship for Today* by Patricia C. Mckissack B&N; L; S
2. *The River* by Gary Paulsen B&N; L; S
3. *Running Out of Time* by Margaret Peterson Haddix B&N; L; S
4. *Toby Wheeler Eight-Grade Benchwarmer* by Thatcher Heldring B&N; L; S
5. *Keeper* by Mal Peet B&N; L; S
6. *The Voyage of the Frog* by Gary Paulsen B&N; L; S
7. *The Dark Pond* by Joseph Bruchac B&N; L; S
8. *The Dark Hills Divide* by Patrick Carman B&N; L; S
9. *Rules* by Cynthia Lord B&N; S
10. *Million Dollar Throw* by Mike Lupica B&N; S
11. *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan B&N; L; S

Grade 7:

1. *Weedflower* by Cynthia Kadohata B&N; L; S
2. *Double Identity* by Margaret Peterson Haddix B&N; L; S
3. *The Convicts* by Iain Lawrence B&N; L; S
4. *Somewhere in the Darkness* by Walter Dean Myers * B&N; L; S
5. *Someone is Hiding on Alcatraz Island* by Eve Bundting B&N; L; S
6. *Charlie Bone and the Castle of Mirrors* by Jenny Nimmo B&N; L; S
7. *Someone Named Eva* by Joan M. Wolf B&N; L; S
8. *Deeper* by Roderick Gordon; Brian Williams* B&N; L; S
9. *Shooting the Moon* by Francis O'Roark Dowell B&N; L; S
10. *The Wednesday Wars* by Gary D. Schmidt B&N; L; S
11. *Hate That Cat* by Sharon Creech B&N; L; S
12. *Savvy* by Ingrid Law B&N; L; S

Grade 8:

1. *The Wave* by Todd Strasser B&N; L; S
2. *Tunnels* by Roderick Gordon and Brian Williams* B&N; L; S
3. *Messenger* by Lois Lowry B&N; L; S
4. *Losing Joe's Place* by Gordon Korman* B&N; L; S
5. *Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery* by John Feinstein B&N; L; S
6. *Elijah* by Christopher Paul Curtis * B&N; S
7. *Feathers* by Jacqueline Woodson B&N; L; S
8. *Deep and Dark and Dangerous* by Mary Downing Hahn B&N; L; S
9. *Time of the Witches* by Anna Myers* B&N; L; S
10. *Distant Waves* by Suzanna Weyn B&N; S
11. *Thirteenth Child* by Patricia Wrede B&N; L; S
12. *Secret, Lies, and Algebra* by Wendy Lichtman B&N; S
13. *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins B&N; L; S

Summer Reading Response Questions

Your Name _____ Grade 6 7 8 Circle one. # of Pages _____

Title of book _____ Author _____ Book # _____

1. List 4 words that best describe the book. (+3 each)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

2. Write three words from the story. Write the dictionary meaning. (+3 each)

Word

Meaning

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

3. Rewrite this sentence:

When I read this book I felt _____ because _____ . (+5)

4. I liked/disliked the character _____ because _____ . (+5)

5. The part when _____ is very realistic/unrealistic because _____ . (+5)

6. Write a diary entry by the main character describing a major event in the book (+20)

7. What is the turning point of the story? (climax) (+20)

8. Tell about a situation in the book that reminded you of an experience you've had or an experience that may be somewhat similar. (+10)

9. List **(5)** five important events in the story and arrange them in correct sequence (that is in the order they happened in the book.) (+5)

10. List **(3)** three opinions that were stated in this book. (+3 each)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

11. Write an **e-mail** to a friend telling him or her why you think they should read this book. (+3)
