

Eighth Grade Summer Reading List



Historical Fiction

1. *Green Glass Sea* by Ellen Klages
2. *Year of the Hangman* by Gary Blackwood
3. *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak**
4. *The Tree That Owns Itself* by Loretta Hammer and Gail Karwoski
5. *Annie Between the States* by L.M. Elliott
6. *A Tugging String* by David Greenberg
7. *The Rock and the River* by Kekla Magoon**
8. *Chains* by Laurie Halse Anderson
9. *Uprising* by Margaret Peterson Haddix
10. *Turtle in Paradise* by Jennifer Holm

Nonfiction/Informational

1. *Freedom Riders* by Ann Bausum
2. *The Real Benedict Arnold* by Jim Murphy
3. *A Dangerous Engine: Benjamin Franklin* by Joan Dash
4. *Under Siege!: Three Children at the Civil War Battle of Vicksburg* by Andrea Warren
5. *Something Out of Nothing: Marie Curie and Radium* by Carla McClafferty
6. *It Happened in Georgia* by James Crutchfield
7. *Lafayette and the American Revolution* by Russell Freedman

Science Fiction

1. *Unwind* by Neal Shusterman**
2. *The City of Ember* by Jeanne DuPrau
3. *Epic* by Connor Kostick**
4. *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins** (also a book award nominee for next year and will be read in some eighth grade classes)
5. *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams**
6. *The Knife of Never Letting Go* by Patrick Ness**
7. *Fearless* by Tim Lott
8. *Legend* by Marie Lu
9. *The Limit* by Kristen Landon*
10. *Delirium* by Lauren Oliver**

Realistic Fiction

1. *Do the Math: Secrets, Lies, and Algebra* by Wendy Lichtman
2. *Scribbler of Dreams* by Mary Pearson
3. *Flavor of the Week* by Tucker Shaw**
4. *Notes from the Midnight Driver* by Jordan Sonnenblick
5. *Code Orange* by Caroline Cooney
6. *Enthusiasm* by Polly Shulman**
7. *Smiles to Go* by Jerry Spinelli
8. *After Ever After* by Jordan Sonnenblick
9. *Kick* by Walter Dean Myers*

Fantasy

1. *Generation Dead* by Daniel Waters**
2. *A Curse as Dark as Gold* by Elizabeth Bunce
3. *Princess Ben* by Catherine Gilbert Murdock
4. *Cloaked in Red* by Vivian Vande Velde
5. *Leven Thumps and the Gateway to Foo* by Obert Skye
6. *Keturah and Lord Death* by Martine Leavitt
7. *House of Dark Shadows* by Ropert Liparulo
8. *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien
9. *Raven's Gate* by Anthony Horowitz
10. *Dracula* by Bram Stoker**

An asterisk (*) denotes books nominated for the Georgia Children's Book Award for the 2011-2012 school year.

Two asterisks (**) denote some mature content. Please enjoy these books with your children.