

Fantasy

Abouzeid, Chris. *Anatopsis*
Colfer, Eoin. *Artemis Fowl*
Collins, Suzanne. *Gregor and the Curse of the Warmbloods*
Crossley-Holland, Kevin. *The Seeing Stone*
Dicamillo, Kate. *Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*
Funke, Cornelia. *Inkspell*
Garnder, Sally. *I, Coriander*
Haley, Shannon. *Princess Academy*
Jacques, Brian. *Triss*
Levine, Gail Carson. *Fairest*
Paolini, Christopher. *Eldest*
Reeve, Phillip. *Larklight: A Rousing Tale of Dauntless Pluck in the Farthest Reaches of Space*
Riordan, Rick. *The Lightning Thief*



Historical Fiction

Alvarez, Julia. *Before We Were Free*
Avi. *Crispin: At the Edge of the World*
Avi. *Crispin: The Cross of Lead*
Avi. *The Book Without Words: A Fable of Medieval Magic*
Carbone, Elisa. *Blood on the River: Jamestown 1607*
Going, K.L. *Liberation of Gabriel King*
Holm, Jennifer L. *Penny from Heaven*
Hostetter, Joyce Moyer. *Blue*
Larson, Kirby. *Hattie Big Sky*
Lawrence, Iain. *B for Buster*
Park, Linda Sue. *When My Name Was Keoko*
Paterson, Katherine. *Bread and Roses, Too*
Paulsen, Gary. *Legend of Bass Reeves*
Peck, Richard. *On the Wings of Heroes*
Salisbury, Graham. *Eyes of the Emperor*
Spinnelli, Jerry. *Milkweed*

Mystery

Abrahams, Peter. *Down the Rabbit Hole: An Echo Falls Mystery*
Allison, Jennifer. *Gilda Joyce*
Avi. *Who Stole the Wizard of Oz*
Broach, Elise. *Shakespeare's Secret*
Feinstein, John. *Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery*
Haddix, Margaret Peterson. *House on the Gulf*
Haddix, Margaret Peterson. *Running Out of Time*
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. *Jade Green: A Ghost Story*
Raskin, Ellen. *The Westing Game*
Roberts, Willo Davis. *The View from the Cherry Tree*
Selznick, Brian. *The Invention of Hugo Cabret*
Yep, Laurence. *The Case of the Goblin Pearls*

Contemporary Fiction

Clements, Andrew. *Room One: A Mystery or Two*
Colfer, Eoin. *Artemis Fowl*
Creech, Sharon. *Replay*
Gutman, Dan. *The Homework Machine*
Lin, Grace. *The Year of the Dog*
Lord, Cynthia. *Rules*
Lupica, Mike. *Heat*
Martin, Ann M. *A Corner of the Universe*
Martin, Ann. *A Dog's Life*
Park, Linda Sue. *Project Mulberry*
Paterson, Katherine. *Bridge to Terabithia*
Patron, Susan. *The Higher Power of Lucky*
Pearsall, Shelly. *All of the Above*
Pennypacker, Sara. *Clementine*
Ryan, Pam Munoz. *Becoming Naomi Leon*
Singh, Vandana. *Younguncle Comes to Town*
Spinelli, Jerry. *Stargirl*
Tolan, Stephanie. *Listen!*
Voigt, Cynthia. *Angus and Sadie*
Wiles, Deborah. *Each Little Bird That Sings*



Nonfiction

Allen, Thomas. *Harriet Tubman, Secret Agent: How Daring Slaves and Free Blacks Spied for the Union During the Civil War*
Cooper, Michael. *Dust to Eat: Drought and Depression in the 1930's*
Curlee, Lynn. *Seven Wonders of the Ancient World*
Frank, Mitch. *Understanding the Holy Land: Answering Questions About the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*
Handyside, Christopher. *Country (A History of American Music Series)*
Langley, Andrew. *Hurricanes, Tsunamis, and Other Natural Disasters*
Mallory, Kenneth. *Diving to Deep-Sea Volcano*
Miller, Debbie. *Big Alaska: Journey Across America's Most Amazing State*
Murphy, Jim. *An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1793*
Phelan, Glen. *Killing Germs, Saving Lives: The Quest for the First Vaccines*
Revkin, Andrew C. *The North Pole Was Here: Puzzles and Perils at the Top of the World*
Reynolds, Ross. *Guide to Weather*
Schlosser, Eric and Wilson, Charles. *Chew on This: Everything You Don't Want to Know About Fast Food*
Singer, Marilyn. *What Stinks?*
Thimmesh, Catherine. *Team Moon: How 400,000 People Landed Apollo 11 on the Moon*
Walker, Sally M. *Secrets of a Civil War Submarine: Solving the mysteries of the H.L. Hunley*



Biography

Bardoe, Cheryl. *Gregory Mendel: The Friar Who Grew Peas*

Bausum, Ann. *Freedom Riders: John Lewis and Jim*

Zweg on the Front Lines of the Civil Rights Movement

Freedman, Russell. *Freedom Walkers: The Story of the Montgomery Bus Boycott*

Freedman, Russell. *The Adventures of Marco Polo*

Hopkinson, Deborah. *Up Before Daybreak: Cotton and People in America*

Siegel, Joyce. *Butterfly Eyes and Other Secrets of the Meadow*

Weatherford, Carol Boston. *Moses: When Harriet*

Tubman Led Her People to Freedom

Just for Fun

Grandits, John. *Technically It's Not My Fault: Concrete Poems*

Hollyer, Belinda. *She's All That! Poems about Girls*

Holms, Jennifer. *Babymouse: 1: Queen of the World*

Myers, Walter Dean. *Jazz*

Osborn, Mary Pope. *Tales from the Odyssey (Series)*

Rylant, Cynthia. *Boris*

Scieszka, Jon, ed. *Guys Write for Guys Read*

Sidman, Joyce. *Butterfly Eyes and Other Secrets of the Meadow*

More Reading Suggestions:

Great Middle School Reads

<http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/alscresources/booklists/MiddleSchoolReads.htm>

ALA Notable

<http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/childrensnotable/notablebooklist/currentnotable.htm>

Got Issues? Books that Tackle Topics That Matter to Preteens

<http://content.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=7970>

Your Reader Now

http://www.scholastic.com/familymatters/read/gr6_8/index.htm

Battle of the Books List 2007-2008

Title	Author
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle	Avi
Singer of All Songs	Constable, Kate
Catherine, Called Birdy	Cushman, Karen
Forged by Fire	Draper, Sharon
The City of Ember	DuPrau, Jeanne
Under a War-Torn Sky	Elliott, Laura
The Thief Lord	Funke, Cornelia
Out of the Dust	Hesse, Karen
Hoot	Hiaasen, Carl
The Outsiders	Hinton, S.E.
Red Scarf Girl	Jiang, Ji-Li
Heaven	Johnson, Angela
To Kill a Mockingbird	Lee, Harper
Touching Spirit Bear	Mikaelsen, Ben
My Dog Skip	Morris, Willie
Eldest	Paolini, Christopher
Maximum Ride: The Angel Experiment	Patterson, James
Here Lies the Librarian	Peck, Richard
The Golden Compass	Pullman, Philip
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn	Smith, Betty
Milkweed	Spinelli, Jerry
Truesight	Stahler, David Jr.
The Land	Taylor, Mildred D.
The Weirdo	Taylor, Theodore
Surviving the Applewhites	Tolan, Stephanie
Angel on the Square	Whelan, Gloria

Asheboro City Schools Middle School Summer Reading 2007



Dear Parent/Guardian:

The freedom of summer vacation provides students with the time to add variety and choice to their reading as they try new authors, genres, and topics. Summer reading should be pleasurable so that your children will want to read for fun. We hope that reading will give students many hours of enjoyment and help to develop the love of reading.

Thank you for your help in promoting the wonderful habit of reading for fun.

**Sincerely,
ACS Middle School Teachers
Ms. Olson
Library Media Specialists**