

# 6th Recommended Summer Reading List

All students should read at least **two** books. Students signed up for Honors English 6 should read **four** books. Linked below are recommended titles, however students may choose any books at their reading level. The books do **NOT** have to be from this list.

Babbit, Natalie. [Tuck Everlasting](#)

Barrett, Tracy. [The 100-Year-Old Secret](#)

Buyea, Rob. [Because of Mr. Terupt](#)

Choldenko, Gennifer. [Al Capone Does My Shirts](#)

Creech, Sharon. [Love That Dog](#)

Dahl, Roald. [The Witches](#)

Erskine, Kathryn. [Mockingbird](#)

Flanagan, John. [Ranger's Apprentice: The Ruins of Gorlan](#)

Funke, Cornelia. [Inkheart](#)

George, Jean C. [My Side of the Mountain](#)

Giff, Patricia Reilly. [Lily's Crossing](#)

Goldblatt Mark. [Twerp](#)

Hesse, Karen. [Letters from Rifka](#)

Hiaasen, Carl. [Chomp](#)

Hunt Mullaly. [One for the Murphys](#)

Kennedy, Marlane. [The Dog Days of Charlotte Hayes](#)

Konigsburg, E.L. [The View from Saturday](#)

Lai Thanhha. [Inside out and Back Again](#)

Levine, Ellen. [If Your Name Was Changed at Ellis Island](#)

Lupica, Mike. [Game Changers](#)

Mass, Wendy. [11 Birthdays](#)

Meyer Marissa. [Cinder](#)

Nielsen, Jennifer. [The False Prince](#)

Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw. [Dogs on Duty](#)

Paterson, Katherine. [Bridge to Terabithia](#)

Paulsen, Gary. [Brian's Winter](#)

Peck, Richard. [A Long Way from Chicago](#)

Riordan, Rick. [The Red Pyramid](#)

Rockwell, Thomas. [How to Eat Fried Worms](#)

Schmidt, Gary. [Okay for Now](#)

Scott, Elaine. [Buried Alive](#)

Selznick, Brian. [Wonderstruck](#)

Sheinkin Steve. [Bomb](#)

Smith, Roland. [Peak](#)

Smith, Roland. [Storm Runners](#)

Spinelli, Jerry. [Hokey Pokey](#)

Stead, Rebecca. [When You Reach Me](#)

Stewart, Trenton. [The Mysterious Benedict Society](#)

Swanson, James L. [Chasing Lincoln's Killer](#)

Swanson, James L. [The Present Has Been Shot!](#)

Tolkien, J.R.R. [The Hobbit](#)

Wadsworth, Ginger. [First Girl Scout Ever](#)

# 7th Summer Reading List

All students should read at least **two** books. Students signed up for Honors English 7 should read **four** books. Linked below are recommended titles, however students may choose any books at their reading level. The books do **NOT** have to be from this list. Students will complete a project and reflection in which you examine **ONE** IB Learner trait displayed by a character in **ONE** of the books you have read this summer. This assignment will be due on the first day of class.

[Summer Reading Project Requirement for English 7](#)

[Summer Reading Project Requirement for English 7 Honors](#)

Abdel-Fattah, Randa. [Does My Head Look Big In This?](#)

Bell, Cathleen Davitt. [Little Blog on the Prairie](#)

Ellis, Deborah. [The Breadwinner](#)

Craighead George, Jean. [Julie of the Wolves](#)

Reinhardt, Dana. [The Summer I Learned to Fly](#)

Hoose, Phillip. [We Were There, Too! Young People in U.S. History](#)

Park, Linda Sue. [A Long Walk to Water](#)

Jackson, Donna. [ER Vets: Life in an Animal Emergency Room](#)

Giblin, James Cross. [Good Brother, Bad Brother:](#)

Goodall, Jane. [The Chimpanzees I Love:](#)

Baskin, Nora Raleigh. [Anything But Typical](#)

Frost, Helen. [Hidden](#)

Green, Tim. [Football Genius](#)

Zindel, Paul. [Rats](#)

Estes, David. [The Moon Dwellers](#)

Gaiman, Neil. [The Graveyard Book](#)

Nielsen, Jennifer. [The False Prince:](#)

Anderson, Laurie Halse. [Fever 1793](#)

Senzai, N.H. [Shooting Kabul](#)

Sheinkin, Steve. [The Port Chicago 50:](#)

# 8th Summer Reading List

This summer, your eighth grade English teachers expect you to do some reading to keep your mind awake and your skills sharp. We have prepared the following list of books for you to consider as you make your reading choices this summer. *Please use the links to determine appropriate book choices, as **some titles contain more mature themes**.* Depending on which English class you are taking, we have different expectations for what you will do this summer. We are looking forward to meeting you next year!

**8th Grade Honors English:** If you are taking **Honors English**, this summer we expect you to read two books from the list, and at least two free choice books that you select for yourself from the library or larger world. Choose one of your free-choice books and one of the books from our list, and compose a well-supported essay of at least five paragraphs comparing and contrasting some aspect of the books. You may write about character, setting, theme, or another aspect of the books that genuinely interests you. Essays should be typed, and in 12-point, Times New Roman font. Your essay is due when you arrive in class on the first day of school.

**8th Grade English:** If you are taking **8th Grade English**, you are expected to read one books from the below list, and at least two free-choice book that you select for yourself from the library or larger world. Be prepared to begin an in class essay comparing two of the books (the free-choice and one from the list) when you arrive on the first day of school. Please bring a copy of the books if you have one available. A few copies may be available at school for reference.

Adams, Douglas [The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy](#)

Haddon, Mark [The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time](#)

Adams, Richard [Watership Down](#),

Hale, Shannon [The Book of a Thousand Days](#)

Armstrong, Jennifer [Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World](#)

Houston, Jeanne Wakatsuki [Farewell to Manzanar](#)

Bruchac, Joseph [Code Talker](#)

Jackson, Shirley [The Haunting of Hill House](#)

Card, Orson Scott [Ender's Game](#)

Smith, Roland [Elephant Run](#)

Christie, Agatha [The Murder of Roger Ackroyd](#)

Voigt, Cynthia [Dicey's Song](#)

Dickens, Charles [A Christmas Carol](#)

Weeks, Sarah [So B. It](#)

Dumas, Alexandre [The Count of Monte Cristo](#)

Zusak, Markus [The Book Thief](#)

Farmer, Nancy [The Ear, the Eye and the Arm](#)

Martel, Yann [The Life of Pi](#)

Gaiman, Neil [Stardust](#)

Halse Anderson, Laurie [Speak](#)

Geras, Adèle [Troy](#)

Tolkien, J.R.R., [The Fellowship of the Ring](#)

Gantos, Jack [Hole in My Life](#)

Philbrick, Nathaniel [In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whaleship Essex](#)

Schmidt, Gary [Orbiting Jupiter](#)

Alexie, Sherman [Absolutely True Diary of a Part Time Indian](#)