

Another Reading List

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Remember what we discussed in class: lower reading level means that your students will not have difficulty understanding what happens in the story and rich text means that you will have fun digging through the text for meaning. The right book will be fun and interesting for you to read over and over again. Notice which ones are mentioned multiple times, on two or three different lists at once.

6th grade

The Giver
Louisiana Sky
A Family Apart
A Wrinkle in Time
Tom Sawyer
Belle Prater's Boy
Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry
Freak the Mighty
Dacey's Song
Souder
The Miracle Worker
Bridge to Terabithia
Walk Two Moons
The View from Saturday
True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle
The Bomb
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone
Where the Red Fern Grows
Zia
The Lightning Thief

7th grade

A Wrinkle in Time
Nothing But the Truth
A Christmas Carol
Call of the Wild
Touching Spirit Bear
Devil Storm
The House on Mango Street
Holes
The Giver
Call of the Wild
Cheaper by the Dozen
Full Tilt
Stargirl
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry
Cry
The Schwa Was Here
Notes from a Midnight Driver
The Scarlet Pimpernel

8th grade

Everest
Zach's Lies
Jack's Run
The Boy in the Striped Pajamas
Stargirl
A Separate Peace?
Lord of the Flies
The Outsiders
The Giver
Monster is great for "rough" groups
Daniel's Story
Anthem
The Pigman
The Pearl
My Side of the Mountain
The Hobbit
Tunes for Bears to Dance To
The Call of the Wild
Night
Diary of a Young Girl (Anne Frank)
The Witch of Blackbird Pond
The House on Mango Street