



## 6th Grade Summer Reading



### Dear Students and Families,

Reading over the summer helps students maintain strong reading skills, expand vocabulary, and build confidence as they prepare for middle school. This assignment is *optional* but highly encouraged!


#### ✔ Assignment Instructions:

- Choose **3 books** from the 6th Grade Summer Reading List (or other grade-appropriate books).
- After reading each book, complete the summary section and details below.
- Ask a parent or guardian to sign off on your reading.

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#### 🧠 Realistic Fiction & Coming of Age

Title	Author	Lexile
Wonder *	R.J. Palacio	790L
Out of My Mind	Sharon M. Draper	700L
Schooled	Gordon Korman	740
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn *	Betty Smith	810
The Outcasts of 19 Schuyler Place	Arlene Erlbach	840
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry *	Mildred D. Taylor	920
Knots in My Yo-Yo String	Jerry Spinelli	980

 **Fantasy & Adventure**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Lexile</b>
Animorphs (series)	K.A. Applegate	380–600
Percy Jackson (series) *	Rick Riordan	630–740
Warriors (series)	Erin Hunter	620–900
Spirit Animals (series)	Various	670–800
The Wild Robot	Peter Brown	740
The Graveyard Book	Neil Gaiman	820
The Chronicles of Narnia	C.S. Lewis	870
Harry Potter (series) *	J.K. Rowling	880–1030
Lord of the Rings (series) *	J.R.R. Tolkien	810–1000
Little Women (series)	Louisa May Alcott	630

 **Mystery & Suspense**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Lexile</b>
Big Nate (series)	Lincoln Peirce	450–520
The Odd Squad (series)	Michael Fry	490–500
Hoot	Carl Hiaasen	760
The Hunger Games (series) *	Suzanne Collins	800–820
The Book Thief *	Markus Zusak	730
Snow Crash	Neal Stephenson	970

### Historical Fiction

Title	Author	Lexile
A Long Walk to Water	Linda Sue Park	720
Number the Stars	Lois Lowry	670
Island of the Blue Dolphins *	Scott O'Dell	1000
Dear America (series)	Donald Sobol	820–1010

### Science Fiction & Dystopia

Title	Author	Lexile
Stormbreaker	Anthony Horowitz	670
Alex Rider (series)	Anthony Horowitz	610–740
The Last Book in the Universe	Rodman Philbrick	740
Fahrenheit 451	Ray Bradbury	890

### Classic Literature

Title	Author	Lexile
Treasure Island	Robert Louis Stevenson	670
The Call of the Wild	Jack London	990
The Hound of the Baskervilles	Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	980
The Secret Garden	Frances Hodgson Burnett	970
Anne of Green Gables	L.M. Montgomery	990

 **Animals & Nature**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Lexile</b>
Where the Red Fern Grows	Wilson Rawls	700
My Side of the Mountain	Jean Craighead George	810
The One and Only Ivan	Katherine Applegate	570
Pax	Sara Pennypacker	750
Shiloh	Phyllis Reynolds Naylor	890
Julie of the Wolves	Jean Craighead George	860
Hatchet	Gary Paulsen	1020

 **Realistic/Contemporary for Tweens**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Lexile</b>
Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants	Ann Brashares	600
Princess Diaries	Meg Cabot	920–1200
Middle School: Get Me Out of Here!	James Patterson	680

 **Nonfiction & Memoir**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Lexile</b>
Brown Girl Dreaming *	Jacqueline Woodson	990
How They Croaked: The Awful Ends of the Awfully Famous	Georgia Bragg	950
The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind	William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer	850

**Legend** \* = Frequently challenged or banned book

