



7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE  
SUGGESTED  
SUMMER READING  
2021-2022

**Fiction**

**Watership Down** by Richard Adams

**Little Women** by Louisa May Alcott

**The Shakespeare Stealer** by Gary  
Blackwood

**Fahrenheit 451** by Ray Bradbury

**The Boy in the Striped Pajamas** by John  
Boyne

**Al Capone Does My Shirts** by Gennifer  
Choldenko

**The Hunger Games** trilogy by Suzanne  
Collins

**Walk Two Moons** by Sharon Creech

**Bud, Not Buddy** by Christopher Paul Curtis

**Oliver Twist** by Charles Dickens

**The Sherlock Holmes Series** by Arthur  
Canon Doyle

**Foul Trouble** by John Feinstein

**My Side of the Mountain** by Jean Craighead  
George

**Lord of the Flies** by William Golding

**The Wind and the Willows** by Kenneth  
Grahame

**Football Genius** by Tim Green

**The Million Dollar Putt** by Dan Gutman

**Among the Hidden Series** by Margaret  
Peterson Haddix

**Stowaway** by Karen Hesse

**The Outsiders** by S.E. Hinton

**Stormbreaker (An Alex Rider Adventure)**  
by Anthony Horowitz

**A Ring of Endless Light** by Madeleine  
L'engle

**The Call of the Wild** by Jack London

**Number the Stars** by Lois Lowry

**The Giver** by Lois Lowry

**Heat** by Mike Lupica

**The Princess & The Goblin** by George  
MacDonald

**Throwing Like a Girl** by Weezie Kerr Mackie

**Miss Spitfire: Reaching Helen Keller** by  
Sarah Miller

**Anne of Green Gables** by L.M. Montgomery

**Monster** by Walter Dean Myers

**The Ascendance** trilogy by Jennifer A.  
Nielson

**Animal Farm** by George Orwell  
**Harris and Me** by Gary Paulsen  
**Hatchet** by Gary Paulsen  
**Legend of Bass Reeves** by Gary Paulsen  
**Keeper** by Mal Peet  
**Hangman’s Curse** by Frank Peretti  
**The Lightning Thief** by Rick Riordan  
**Esperanza Rising** by Pam Muñoz Ryan  
**Holes** by Louis Sachar  
**Okay for Now** by Gary D. Schmidt  
**Between Shades of Gray** by Ruta Sepetys  
**Peak** by Roland Smith

**Treasure Island** by Robert Louis Stevenson  
**Shadowmancer** by G. P. Taylor  
**Lord of the Rings** trilogy by J.R.R. Tolkien  
**The Hobbit** by J.R.R. Tolkien  
**The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn** by Mark Twain  
**The Adventures of Tom Sawyer** by Mark Twain  
**20,000 Leagues Under the Sea** by Jules Verne  
**100 Cupboards Series** by N. D. Wilson  
**Swiss Family Robinson** by Johann David Wyss

## Nonfiction

**George Washington, Spymaster** by Thomas B. Allen  
**Breaker Boys: How a Photograph Helped End Child Labor** by Michael Burgan  
**My Life as a Furry Red Monster: What Being Elmo Has Taught Me About Life, Love, and Laughing Out Loud** by Kevin Clash  
**Freedom Walkers** by Russell Freedman  
**Refugee** by Alan Gratz

**Don’t Check Your Brain at the Door** by Josh McDowell  
**Guts: the True Stories Behind Hatchet and the Brian Books** by Gary Paulsen  
**Promises To Keep: How Jackie Robinson Changed America** by Sharon Robinson  
**Team Moon: How 400,000 People Landed Apollo 11 on the Moon** by Catherine Thimmesh