



"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirates' loot on Treasure Island and at the bottom of the Spanish Main... and best of all, you can enjoy these riches every day of your life."
 - Walt Disney

8th Grade

June 2020

A copy of this list can also be found on the web at <https://www.yonkerspublicschools.org/summerreading>

Summer Reading Log

Student Name _____ School _____ Grade _____

Parent Signature _____

Please have your child keep track of each book he/she read. Have he/she indicate whether he/she liked or didn't like the book by checking the appropriate box and list the number of pages read. This log will be collected by the English teacher during the first week in September.

Title/Author	I liked it.	I didn't like it.	Number of pages read
Total number of pages read			

Summer Reading Information

Students are required to read a minimum of **four books** over the summer.

Please maintain a reading log of all books read (on reverse) and return to your teacher in September.

◆ Non-Fiction

8th Grade Summer Reading List 2020

(For students entering Grade 8 in September 2020)

Author	Title
Amnesty International.....	◆ Free?: Stories Celebrating Human Rights
Anderson, Laurie Halse.....	Chains
Aronson, Marc & Charles R. Smith, Jr.....	The Pick-up Game: A Full Day of Full Court
Avi.....	The Man Who Was Poe
Blumenthal, Karen.....	◆ Steve Jobs: The Man Who Thought Different
Bragg, Georgia.....	◆ How They Croaked: The Awful Ends of the Awfully Famous
Brewer, Heather.....	Chronicles of Vladimir Tod (series)
Cabot, Meg.....	Shadowland & others in the Mediator (series)
Cashore, Kristin.....	Graceling (series)
Clare, Cassandra.....	City of Bones & others in the Mortal Instruments (series)
Clements, Andrew.....	Things Not Seen
Cooney, Caroline.....	Diamonds in the Shadow The Face on the Milk Carton (series)
Covey, Sean.....	◆ The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens: The Ultimate Teenage Success Guide

Coy, John.....	Box Out
Davis, Lane.....	I Swear
De la Peña, Matt.....	I Will Save You We Were Here and other titles
Defoe, Daniel.....	Robinson Crusoe
Flake, Sharon.....	The Skin I'm In & other titles
Flanagan, John.....	Ranger's Apprentice (series)
Fleischman, John.....	◆ Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story about Brain Science
Fleischman, Sid.....	◆ Escape!: The Story of the Great Houdini
Gallo, Donald R.....	Owning It: Stories about Teens with Disabilities
Grandits, John.....	◆ Blue Lipstick: Concrete Poems
Hall, Megan Kelley & Carrie Jones.....	◆ Dear Bully: Seventy Authors Tell Their Stories
Higson, Charlie.....	SilverFin: The Graphic Novel & others in the Young Bond (series)
Horowitz, Anthony.....	Stormbreaker & others in the Alex Rider (series)
Howe, James.....	The Misfits
Janezko, Paul B.....	◆ The Dark Game: True Spy Stories from Invisible Ink to CIA Moles
Korman, Gordon.....	Son of the Mob Born to Rock Pop
Lange, Karen.....	◆ Nevermore: A Photobiography of Edgar Allan Poe
Levine, Gail Carson.....	◆ Writing Magic: Creating Stories that Fly
Lockhart, E.....	The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks
Lubar, David.....	Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie
Lupica, Mike.....	Heat & other titles
Muchamore, Robert.....	The Recruit & others in the CHERUB (series)

Paolini, Christopher.....	Eragon & others in the Inheritance (series)
Poe, Edgar Allan.....	18 Best Stories by Edgar Allan Poe
Roth, Veronica.....	Divergent (series)
Rubalcaba, Jill.....	◆ Every Bone Tells a Story: Hominin Discoveries, Deductions, and Debates
Scieszka, Jon.....	Guys Read. Thriller & others in the Guys Read (series) ◆ Knucklehead: Tall Tales and Mostly True Stories About Growing Up Scieszka
Sheinkin, Steve.....	◆ Bomb: The Race to Build—and Steal—the World's Most Dangerous Weapon
Shusterman, Neal.....	Unwind (series) & other titles
Soto, Gary.....	Facts of Life: Stories
Spinelli, Jerry.....	Stargirl & Love Stargirl
Stone, Tanya Lee.....	◆ Almost Astronauts: 13 Women Who Dared to Dream
Swidey, Neil.....	◆ The Assist: Hoops, Hope, and the Game of Their Lives
Telgemeier, Raina.....	Smile
Volponi, Paul.....	The Final Four & other titles
Westerfeld, Scott.....	Midnighters (series) & other titles
Wilhelm, Doug.....	The Revealers
Woodson, Jacqueline.....	After Tupac & D Foster If You Come Softly and other titles
Zevin, Gabrielle.....	Elsewhere

Suggested Activities for Teens and Parents

These activities are **optional** for you and your teen to enjoy together after reading the book.

Create a Diary/Journal

Create a diary/journal for a character in the novel.

Include the following: Several entries explaining your character's feelings about the events and other characters in the book.

Create a cover for your diary/journal.

Letter to the Author

Write a letter to the author of the book asking why the main character acted like she/he did or why the author developed a particular idea and thought it was important.

You're the Author!

You are the author. You have decided to write an additional chapter to the book you just read.

Online Books/Resources

For supplemental Summer Reading resources, visit www.yonkerspublicschools.org and click on the "Summer Reading List" icon.

Many books are available in audio or for download at the Yonkers Public Library's website: <http://www.ypl.org>

Summer Reading Link:

<https://www.yonkerspublicschools.org/summerreading>

Digital Literacy:

<http://bit.ly/YPSFollett>

Yonkers Public Libraries - 337-1500

Riverfront Library

1 Larkin Center, Yonkers, NY 10701

Grinton I. Will Library

1500 Central Park Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10710

Crestwood Branch

16 Thompson Street, Yonkers, NY 10707