

7th Grade Summer Reading

Read 3 books total. One of the books must be a nonfiction text.

Fiction	Non-fiction
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barker – The Thief of Always • Bauer – Hope Was Here • Crichton – Timeline • DiCamillo – Because of Winn Dixie • Gaiman – The Graveyard Book • Hiaasen – Flush • Lore – The Lorien Legacies Series – Pick only one book • Rowling – The Harry Potter Series – Pick only one book • Spinelli – Maniac Magee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bascomb - The Nazi Hunters: How a Team of Spies and Survivors Captured the World's Most Notorious Nazi • Beah – A Long Way Gone • Beals – Warriors Don't Cry: A Searing Memoir of the Battle to Integrate Little Rock's Central High • Newquist – The Book of Blood: From Legends and Leeches to Vampires and Veins • Thompson – Guts and Glory: The Vikings
Historical Fiction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curtis – Bud, Not Buddy • Yolen – The Devil's Arithmetic • Kadohata – Weedflower 	

Barker	The Thief of Always After a mysterious stranger promises to end his boredom with a trip to the magical Holiday House, ten-year-old Harvey learns that his fun has a high price.
Bascomb	The Nazi Hunters: How a Team of Spies and Survivors Captured the World's Most Notorious Nazi In 1945, at the end of World War II, Adolf Eichmann, the head of operations for the Nazis' Final Solution, walked into the mountains of Germany and vanished from view. Sixteen years later, an elite team of spies captured him at a bus stop in Argentina and smuggled him to Israel, resulting in one of the century's most important trials -- one that cemented the Holocaust in the public imagination.
Bauer	Hope was Here (Newbery Honor book) When sixteen-year-old Hope and the aunt who has raised her move from Brooklyn to Mulhoney, Wisconsin, to work as waitress and cook in the Welcome Stairways diner, they become involved with the diner owner's political campaign to oust the town's corrupt mayor.
Beah	A Long Way Gone This absorbing account by a young man who, as a boy of 12, gets swept up in Sierra Leone's civil war goes beyond even the best journalistic efforts in revealing the life and mind of a child abducted into the horrors of warfare.
Beals	Warriors Don't Cry: A Searing Memoir of the Battle to Integrate Little Rock's Central High In 1957, Melba Pattillo turned sixteen. That was also the year she became a warrior on the front lines of a civil rights firestorm. Following the landmark 1954 Supreme Court ruling, Brown v. Board of Education, Melba was one of nine teenagers chosen to integrate Little Rock's Central High School.

Crichton	Timeline A Yale history professor travels back in time to 15th century France and gets stuck, unable to return to the present. His colleagues organize a rescue and on landing in France become involved in the Hundred Years War.
Curtis	Bud, Not Buddy (Newbery Medal book) Ten-year-old Bud, a motherless boy living in Flint, Michigan, during the Great Depression, escapes a bad foster home and sets out in search of the man he believes to be his father--the renowned bandleader, H.E. Calloway of Grand Rapids.
DiCamillo	Because of Winn Dixie (Newbery Medal book) After moving to a new town, Opal finds a mangy stray dog who is good at making friends, and it's the dog, who she names Winn-Dixie, who brings her closer to her father, teaches her about friendship, and ultimately helps her learn about love and forgiveness.
Gaiman	The Graveyard Book (Newbery Medal book) The orphan Bod, short for Nobody, is taken in by the inhabitants of a graveyard as a child of eighteen months old and raised lovingly and carefully to the age of eighteen years by the community of ghosts and otherworldly creatures.
Hiaasen	Flush With their father jailed for sinking a river boat, Noah Underwood and his younger sister, Abbey, must gather evidence that the owner of this floating casino is emptying his bilge tanks into the protected waters around their Florida Keys home.
Kadohata	Weedflower After twelve-year-old Sumiko and her Japanese-American family are relocated from their flower farm in southern California to an internment camp on a Mojave Indian reservation in Arizona, she helps her family and neighbors, becomes friends with a local Indian boy, and tries to hold on to her dream of owning a flower shop.
Lore	The Lorien Legacies Series – Pick only one book #1 - I am Number Four John Smith has just arrived in Paradise, Ohio, just another stop in a string of small towns where the 15-year-old has been hiding out from the Mogadorians. Those terrifying aliens are determined to destroy him and the other nine Loric children who have sought refuge on Earth. The Mogadorians are picking off the surviving kids in numerical order. The first three are dead and John's number is up. Will his Legacies, his defining super powers, develop in time for him to fight against the enemy?
Newquist	The Book of Blood: From Legends and Leeches to Vampires and Veins – HP Newquist takes young readers on an engaging tour of the world of blood, from ancient history to modern science—with an occasional trip to the very strange side of the most important tissue in our bodies.
Rowling	The Harry Potter Series – Pick only one book #1 – Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone Eleven year old famous wizard, Harry Potter, is sent to wizarding school to learn magic. He ends up solving a mystery over life and death, all while the most evil of wizards, Lord Voldemort, is trying to kill him.
Spinelli	Maniac Magee (Newbery Medal book) After his parents die, Jeffrey Lionel Magee's life becomes legendary, as he accomplishes athletic and other feats which awe his contemporaries.
Thompson	Guts and Glory – The Vikings From battle-axe-wielding tribes plundering the greatest cities of Europe to powerful kings and queens ruling their dominions with iron fists, the Vikings were some of the most feared and fearless figures in European history. Find the bravest heroes, the most menacing villains, and unbelievably awesome facts and myths inside this action-packed overview that will amaze kids with tales of a people so incredible...it's hard to believe they were real.
Yolen	Devil's Arithmetic Hannah resents the traditions of her Jewish heritage until time travel places her in the middle of a small Jewish village in Nazi-occupied Poland.

