

Imagine Your Story

Suggested Books and Authors for Middle School

REALISTIC FICTION

JUVENILE Brosgol, Vera
Be Prepared

Will Russian summer camp help Vera learn to fit in here in the US? (Graphic Novel)

JUVENILE Cartaya, Pablo
Each Tiny Spark

Emilia questions everything as she struggles to reconnect with family and friends.

JUVENILE Clarke, Cat
The Pants Project

Liv's middle school requires girls to wear skirts; but what if Liv is really a boy?

TEEN Feinstein, John
The Walk On (The Triple Threat, book 1)

A corrupt coach tries to prevent Alex from playing quarterback.

TEEN Hiaasen, Carl
Hoot

Roy joins the fight to save some endangered owls.

JUVENILE MYSTERY Johnson, Varian
The Parker Inheritance

Treasure isn't the only thing Candice digs up in South Carolina.

JUVENILE Khan, Hena
Amina's Voice

When friends change, you can still use your voice for good.

JUVENILE King, A.S.
The Year We Fell From Space

Liberty thinks a meteorite is a sign that will help regain order in her very disordered life.

JUVENILE Marsh, Katherine
Nowhere Boy

When is keeping a secret too much? Max wonders after meeting a Syrian refugee.

TEEN Reynolds, Jason
Look Both Ways: A Tale Told in Ten Blocks

Ten tales (one per block) about the walk home from school.

JUVENILE Vail, Rachel
Well, That Was Awkward

Middle school crushes and friendships told through texts.

JUVENILE Venkatraman, Padma
The Bridge Home

What is "home?" Four homeless kids in India hope to create it together.

JUVENILE Yeh, Kat
The Way to Bea

Bea hides her poems, but when they are found the best part of her begins to shine.

FANTASY AND MAGICAL REALISM

TEEN Delaney, Joseph
Revenge of the Witch (The Last Apprentice, book 1)

Thomas is Old Gregory's last apprentice who is tasked with ridding the county of evil.

JUVENILE Graff, Keir
The Matchstick Castle

Brian's boring summer changes when he finds a wacky house.

JUVENILE McCoola, Marika
Baba Yaga's Assistant

Does Masha have what it takes to become the assistant to the fairy tale witch? (Graphic Novel)

TEEN Nix, Garth
Frogkisser!

Her evil stepstepfather turns enemies into frogs. Can Anya save the day—and the boy she likes?

TEEN Pullman, Philip
La Belle Sauvage (The Book of Dust, vol. 1)

Malcolm becomes a spy after learning about the dangerous and mysterious Dust.

TEEN Smith, Roland
Independence Hall (I, Q, book 1)

Q tours with his mom's band, but soon there are too many coincidences for comfort.

JUVENILE Whitley, Jeremy
Princess

Princesses in battle with vampires, zombies, and swamp creatures! (Graphic Novel)

HISTORICAL FICTION

JUVENILE DiCamillo, Kate
Raymie Nightingale

Will winning a pageant bring Raymie's father back home?

JUVENILE Draper, Sharon M.
Stella by Starlight

In 1930s North Carolina, Stella stands strong to seek equality and change in her community.

JUVENILE Gidwitz, Adam
The Inquisitor's Tale: Or, The Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog

The story of three adventurers begins on a dark night.

NON FICTION

ADULT 179.1 Thunberg
No One Is Too Small to Make a Difference

JUVENILE 353.997 Jarrow
The Poison Eaters: Fighting Danger and Fraud in our Food and Drugs

TEEN 361.2 Thompson
Be a Changemaker: How to Start Something That Matters

JUVENILE 591.71 Montgomery
Something Rotten: A Fresh Look at Roadkill

JUVENILE 940.4 Barton
Dazzle Ships: World War I and the Art of Confusion

JUVENILE B Hoge
Ugly

JUVENILE B Merian
The Girl Who Drew Butterflies: How Maria Merian's Art Changed Science



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