

## **Summer Reading List**

**2021 - 2022**

**8th Grade**

This summer reading list contains many great books you should or ought to read. Most of these books are considered Classics and, trust me, these are all great books!!

This list also contains the one book I am requiring you to read over the summer. (I've marked it below).

So please borrow it from the library, buy it from the bookstore, or download it into your electronic device, immediately.

Mr. Ranches

*Adams, Richard. Watership Down*

*Alcott, Louisa May. Little Women*

*Alexie, Sherman. The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven*

*Angelou, Maya. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*

*Babbitt, Natalie. Tuck Everlasting*

*Bacigalupi, Paolo. Ship Breaker*

*Blume, Judy. Tiger Eyes*

*Bradbury, Ray. The Illustrated Man*

*Bradbury, Ray. The Martian Chronicles*

*Bray, Libba. Going Bovine*

*Boyne, John. The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*

*Bronte, Charlotte. Jane Eyre*

*Burnett, Frances H. The Secret Garden*

*Cameron, Peter. Someday This Pain Will be Useful to You*

*Card, Orson Scott. Ender's Game*

*Carroll, Jim. The Basketball Diaries*

*Carroll, Lewis. Alice in Wonderland*

*Christie, Agatha. Murder on the Orient Express*

*Cisneros, Sandra. The House on Mango Street*

*Cormier, Robert. The Chocolate War*

*Dahl, Roald. Skin and Other Stories*

*Danziger, Paula. The Cat Ate My Gymsuit*

*Doctorow, Cory. Little Brother*

*Doerr, Anthony. All the Light We Cannot See.*

*Donnelly, Jennifer. A Northern Light.*

*Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan. The Hound of the Baskervilles*

*Flagg, Fannie. Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café*

Golding, William. *Lord of the Flies*  
Frank, Anne. *The Diary of a Young Girl or (The Diary of Anne Frank)*  
Guevara, Ernesto. *The Motorcycle Diaries*  
Haddon, Mark. *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*  
Hansberry, Lorraine. *A Raisin in the Sun*  
Hemingway, Ernest. *The Old Man and the Sea*  
Hesse, Karen. *Witness*  
Hinton, S.E. *Tex*  
Homer. *The Odyssey*.  
Houston, Jeanne Wakatsuki. *Farewell to Manzanar*  
Jackson, Shirley. *The Haunting of Hill House*  
Kesey, Ken. *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*  
Keyes, Daniel. *Flowers for Algernon*  
Kidd, Sue Monk. *The Secret Life of Bees*.  
L'Engle, Madeleine. *A Wrinkle in Time*  
Levithan, David. *Boy Meets Boy*  
Lewis, C.S. *The Chronicles of Narnia*  
Link, Kelly. *Pretty Monsters*  
Lockhart, E. *The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks*  
London, Jack. *White Fang*  
McBride, James. *The Color of Water*  
McCourt, Frank. *Angela's Ashes*  
McKissack, Patricia. *The Dark Thirty*  
Maclean, Norman. *A River Runs Through It*  
Martel, Yann. *Life of Pi*  
Meminger, Neesha. *Shine, Coconut Moon*  
Myers, Walter Dean. *Bad Boy: a memoir*  
Myers, Walter Dean. *Autobiography of My Dead Brother*  
Nelson, Marilyn. *How I Discovered Poetry*  
Ness, Patrick. *The Knife of Never Letting Go*  
Potok, Chaim. *The Chosen*  
Read, Piers Paul. *Alive*  
Remarque, Erich. *All Quiet on the Western Front*  
Saint-Exupery, Antoine de. *The Little Prince*  
Schmidt, Gary. *Trouble*  
Sewell, Anna. *Black Beauty*  
Smith, Dodie. *I Capture the Castle*  
Smith, Betty. *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*  
Steinbeck, John. *Of Mice and Men*

**Steinbeck, John. The Pearl**

***A story about a poor young fisherman with a family who finds a treasure but soon discovers the difficulties in possessing it.***

*Stevenson, Robert Lewis. Treasure Island*  
*Stoker, Bram. Dracula*  
*Stork, Francisco X. Marcelo in the Real World*  
*Taylor, Mildred D. Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*  
*Thomas, Piri. Down These Mean Streets*  
*Tolkien, J.R.R. The Hobbit*  
*Vern, Jules. A Journey to the Centre of the Earth*  
*Wilson, August. The Piano Lesson*  
*Wells, H.G. The Time Machine*  
*Woodson, Jacqueline. If You Come Softly*  
*Wolff, Tobias. This Boy's Life*  
*Wright, Richard. Black Boy*  
*Yang, Gene Luen. Boxers & Saints*  
*Yolen, Jane. The Devil's Arithmetic*  
*Zafon, Carlos Ruiz. The Shadow of the Wind*