

Rising Star Academy
4th -8th Summer 2019 Reading List

The asterisk indicates the novels that are part of RSA's English Curriculum (*)

Students have to use the required summer reading book report outline

4th Grade Reading List

Fiction:

1. *James and The Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl * (**Must read for the summer**)
2. *Everything on a Waffle* by Polly Horvath *
3. *Save Me a Seat* by Sarah Weeks*
4. *Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli
5. *The Whipping Boy* by Sid Fleischman
6. *The BFG* by Roald Dahl
7. *Smile* by Raina Telgemeier
8. *Bridge To Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson *

Nonfiction:

1. *Worst of Friends: Thomas Jefferson and John Adams* by Suzanne Tripp Jurmain
2. *Pop! The Invention of Bubble Gum* by Meghan McCarthy
3. *I, Fly* by Bridget Heos
4. *El Deafo* by Cece Bell
5. *Smile* by Raina Telgemeier

5th Grade Reading List

Fiction:

1. *The BFG* by Roald Dahl* (**must read for the summer**)
2. *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett*
3. *The Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell*
4. *Sign of the Beaver* by Elizabeth George Speare*
5. *Sadako and a Thousand Paper Cranes* by Eleanor Coerr
6. *Stella by Starlight* by Sharon M. Draper *

Nonfiction:

1. *Worst of Friends: Thomas Jefferson and John Adams* by Suzanne Tripp Jurmain
2. *Pop! The Invention of Bubble Gum* by Meghan McCarthy
3. *I, Fly* by Bridget Heos
4. *El Deafo* by Cece Bell
5. *Smile* by Raina Telgemeier

6th Grade Reading List

Fiction:

1. *Wonder* by Raquel J Palacio* (**must read for the summer**)
2. *Esperanza Rising* by Pam Munoz Ryan*
3. *The Egypt Game* by Zilpha Keatley Snyder*
4. *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan
5. *Ida B.* by Katherine Hannigan*
6. *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle*
7. *Freak The Mighty* by Rodman Philbrick*
8. *Tasting the Sky* by Ibtisam Barakat*
9. *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park*

Nonfiction:

1. *Young Civil Right Heroes* by Allan Zullo
2. *Two Miserable Presidents* by Steve Sheinkin
3. *Malcolm X, By Any Means Necessary* by Walter Dean Myers
4. *A Black Hole is Not a Hole* by Carolyn Cinami DeCristofano
5. *The Greatest: Muhammed Ali* by Walter Dean Myers

7th Grade Reading List

Fiction

1. *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkein*
2. *Holes* by Louis Sachar* (**must read for the summer**)
3. *Walk Two Moons* by Sharon Creech*
4. *Crispin The Cross of Lead* by Avi*
5. *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck*
6. *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith*
7. *Crash* by Jerry Spinelli
8. *Percy Jackson and The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan
9. *The Face on the Milk Carton* by Caroline B. Cooney
10. *Eragon* by Christopher Paolini
11. *Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt

Nonfiction

1. *Simeon's Story: An Eyewitness Account of the Kidnapping of Emmett Till* by Simeon Wright
2. *Unbroken (The Young Adult Adaptation): An Olympian's Journey from Airman to Castaway to Captive* by Laura Hillenbrand
3. *I am Malala* by Malala Yousafzai
4. *The Greatest: My Own Story* by Muhammed Ali
5. *Never Caught, The Story of Ona Judge: Young Readers Edition* by Erica Armstrong Dunbar and Kathleen Van Cleve

8th Grade Reading List

Fiction:

1. *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck * **(Must read for the summer)**
2. *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding *
3. *The Outsiders* by S.E Hinton *
4. *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte
5. *Animal Farm* by George Orwell *
6. *The Hobbit* by J.R Tolkien
7. *Chinese Cinderella* by Adeline YerMah
8. *The Greatest: Muhammad Ali: Bio Memoir*
9. *A Child Called It* by Dave Pelzer *
10. *Nightjohn* by Gary Paulsen *

Nonfiction:

1. *I am Malala* by Malala Yousafzai
2. *Five Years of My Life: An Innocent Man in Guantanamo* by Murat Kurnaz