

## Rising 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading Book List 2018



### **Summer Reading Assignment:**

- Read **2 Books** (1 book from the list below & 1 book free choice minimum 150 pages).
- Complete the written assignment (directions sent home with report card).

Genre	Title / Author	Description
Fantasy	<b><i>The Sword of Summer</i></b> (Magnus Chase Book 1) (Rick Riordan)	Living alone on the streets of Boston, Magnus Chase learns he is the son of a Norse god and goes to live in Valhalla. The apocalypse, Viking-style, is looming, and Magnus must find a mysterious, magical sword.
Fantasy	<b><i>Sky Raiders</i></b> (Five Kingdoms Book 1) (Brandon Mull)	Whisked through a portal to The Outskirts, an in-between world, sixth-grader Cole must rescue his friends and find his way back home--before his existence is forgotten.
Science Fiction	<b><i>Dark Life</i></b> (Kat Falls)	When Ty, who has always lived on the ocean floor, joins Gemma in the frontier's underworld to seek and stop outlaws who threaten his home, they learn that the government may pose an even greater threat.
Science Fiction	<b><i>Cinder</i></b> (Lunar Chronicles Book 1) (Marissa Meyer)	Cinder, a cyborg with an evil stepmother, meets Prince Kai and finds herself at the center of an intergalactic struggle.
Science Fiction	<b><i>Insignia</i></b> (S.J. Kincaid)	Tom, a genius at virtual reality games, is recruited by the United States Military to begin training at the Pentagon Spire as a Combatant in World War III.
Historical Fiction	<b><i>Refugee</i></b> (Alan Gratz)	Josef, a Jewish boy living in 1930s Nazi Germany; Isabel, a Cuban girl trying to escape the riots and unrest in 1994; and Mahmoud, a Syrian boy in 2015, embark on harrowing journeys in search of refuge.
Realistic Fiction	<b><i>Out of My Mind</i></b> (Sharon Draper)	Considered by many to be intellectually disabled, a brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.
Realistic Fiction	<b><i>As Brave As You</i></b> (Jason Reynolds)	Genie and his brother, Ernie, leave Brooklyn for the first time to spend the summer with their grandparents in Virginia -- in the country! Then he figures out that Grandpop is blind.
Realistic Fiction	<b><i>Short</i></b> (Holly Goldberg Sloan)	Very short for her age, Julia grows into her sense of self while playing a munchkin in a summer regional theater production of The Wizard of Oz.
Realistic Fiction	<b><i>Braced</i></b> (Alyson Gerber)	Rachel is happily looking forward to the best school year ever when her life suddenly goes sideways, her scoliosis doctor tells her she will have to wear a full-body back brace twenty-three hours a day.
Adventure/ Suspense	<b><i>In the Shadow of the Sun</i></b> (Anne Sibley O'Brien)	Mia is on a five-day tour of North Korea with her older brother, Simon, and their father, Mark, a food aid worker when she is pulled into a deadly political game that seeks to expose North Korean atrocities.

Adventure/ Suspense	<b><i>Scar Island</i></b> (Dan Gemeinhart)	Jonathan Grisby has been sent to the Slabhenge Reformatory School for Troubled Boys, a former lunatic asylum. When a lightning strike kills all the adults, the boys find themselves suddenly free--and trapped on Scar Island which seems to be sinking into the ocean.
Adventure/ Suspense	<b><i>Code of Honor</i></b> (Alan Gratz)	When Iranian-American Kamran Smith learns that his big brother, Darius, has been labelled a terrorist, he sets out to save his brother's life and his country from a deadly terrorist attack.
Mystery	<b><i>Loot: How to Steal a Fortune</i></b> (Jude Watson)	When Alfie McQuinn, the notorious jewel thief, is killed on a job, his last words to his son, March, are to "find jewels" and this instruction leads the boy to Jules, the twin sister he never knew he had--and the perfect partner to carry on the family business.
Mystery	<b><i>All Fall Down</i></b> (Embassy Row Book 1) (Ally Carter)	After her mother's death, Grace goes to live with her Ambassador grandfather, but Grace won't stop until she finds out who killed her mother.
Humor	<b><i>Ungifted</i></b> (Gordon Korman)	Due to an administrative mix-up, troublemaker Donovan Curtis is sent to the Academy of Scholastic Distinction, a special program for gifted and talented students, after pulling a major prank at middle school.
Romance	<b><i>The Selection</i></b> (Kiera Cass)	America Singer is chosen to compete in the Selection-- a contest to see which girl can win the heart of Illea's prince-- but all she really wants is a chance for a future with her secret love, Aspen, who is a caste below her.
Sports	<b><i>Crossover</i></b> (Kwame Alexander)	Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health. (written in free verse)
Sports	<b><i>Lone Stars</i></b> (Mike Lupica)	Clay is a star football player, but he must find a way to help his coach who is slowly deteriorating as a result of his many concussions from playing pro football.
Horror	<b><i>Took</i></b> (Mary Downing Hahn)	A witch called Old Auntie is lurking near Dan's new home. He is forced take action when his little sister, Erica, is 'took' to become Auntie's slave for the next fifty years.
Nonfiction	<b><i>I Am Malala</i></b> (Young Readers Edition) (Malala Yousafzai with Patricia McCormick)	Malala Yousafzai's describes her fight for education for girls under Taliban rule, the support she received from her parents to pursue an education, and how the Taliban retaliated against her by trying to kill her.
Nonfiction	<b><i>Outcasts United</i></b> (Adapted for Young People) (Warren St. John)	American-educated Jordanian Luma Mufleh founds a youth soccer team comprised of refugee children in Clarkston, Georgia, bringing the children together to discover their common bonds as they adjust to life in a new homeland.
Nonfiction	<b><i>The Boys Who Challenged Hitler</i></b> (Phillip Hoose)	Tells the story of a group of boy resistance fighters in Denmark after the Nazi invasion during World War II.
Nonfiction	<b><i>Hidden Figures</i></b> (Young Readers Edition) (Margot Lee Shetterly)	A group of African American female mathematicians known as 'human computers' calculated the numbers that would launch rockets, and astronauts, into space.

Students should read **2 BOOKS** and complete the **WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT** which will be due in August for a Language Arts grade. Directions will be sent home with the May report card. *All forms and book trailers are available on the Jones website under Students > Media Center > Summer Reading.* Book descriptions are from Follett Destiny Library Manager.