

# Rising 8<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>Red Queen</b> (Victoria Aveyard)	Red blood serve the Silver-blooded elite, who are gifted with superhuman abilities, but Mare, a Red, discovers she has an ability of her own and decides to help the Red rebellion.
Fantasy	<b>The Outcasts: Brotherband Chronicles Book 1</b> (John Flanagan)	Skandian outcasts Hal, Stig, and others do battle at sea against the Wolves and the Sharks, in the ultimate race across icy waters.
Science Fiction	<b>Eye of Minds</b> (James Dashner)	Michael, a skilled internet gamer in a world of advanced technology, is called upon to seek out a cyber-terrorist when he begins to threaten players.
Science Fiction	<b>The Forgetting</b> (Sharon Cameron)	Every 12 years the people of Canaan undergo the Forgetting and are left without any trace of memory. Somehow Nadia has never forgotten, and she is determined to find out what causes it and how to put a stop to the Forgetting forever.
Historical Fiction	<b>Prisoner B-3087</b> (Alan Gratz)	Based on the life of Jack Gruener, this book relates his story of survival from the Nazi occupation of Krakow through a succession of concentration camps.
Historical Fiction	<b>The Rock and the River</b> (Kekla Magoon)	In 1968 Chicago Sam Childs is caught in a conflict between his father's nonviolent approach to seeking civil rights for African-Americans and his older brother, who has joined the Black Panther Party.
Historical Fiction	<b>Salt to the Sea</b> (Ruta Sepetys)	As World War II draws to a close, refugees try to escape the war's final dangers, only to find themselves aboard a ship with a target on its hull.
Realistic Fiction	<b>If You Are Reading This</b> (Trent Reedy)	Michael Wilson has a lot of problems--his father was killed in Afghanistan, his mother does not want him playing football, and he has suddenly started to receive letters that his father wrote before his death.
Realistic Fiction	<b>How to Disappear</b> (Sharon Huss Roat)	When Vicky Decker's best friend, Jenna, moves away, Vicky's isolation becomes unbearable, so she decides to invent a social life by photoshopping herself onto other people's photos, and what follows is instant popularity without leaving her bedroom.
Realistic Fiction	<b>Lost in the Sun</b> (Lisa Graff)	As Trent Zimmerman struggles with causing the death of a friend, he befriends class outcast Fallon Little, who helps him understand that he can move on.
Adventure / Suspense	<b>Not If I Save You First</b> (Ally Carter)	After Maddie's father is wounded saving the First Lady, they move to Alaska. Now the President's son has suddenly turned up on her doorstep, and she has to save him from the winter wilderness and the men who are pursuing him.
Adventure / Suspense	<b>Steelheart: The Reckoners Book One</b> (Brandon Sanderson)	At age eight, David watched as his father was killed by an Epic, a human with superhuman powers, and now, ten years later, he joins the Reckoners--the only people who are trying to kill the Epics and end their tyranny.

Adventure Suspense	<b><i>Live in Infamy</i></b> (Caroline Tung Richmond)	The Axis won World War II, and America was divided between the Nazis and Japan; Chinese American Ren Cabot, who has every reason to hate the Japanese who executed his mother, finds himself drawn into a resistance group..
Mystery	<b><i>The Girl I Used to Be</i></b> (April Henry)	Olivia's parents were killed fourteen years ago. Now, new evidence reopens the case and she finds herself searching for the murderer.
Mystery	<b><i>The DaVinci Code</i></b> (Young Adult Adaptation) (Dan Brown)	Investigating the murder of a Louvre curator, Harvard symbologist Robert Langdon and French cryptologist Sophie Neveu find clues painted into a DaVinci work, inadvertently uncovering a plot involving the Holy Grail and the secret society known as the Priory of Sion.
Humor	<b><i>Geek Girl</i></b> (Holly Smale)	When she's accidentally discovered by a modeling agent, fifteen-year-old Harriet jumps at the chance to transform herself from a geek to a fashion model.
Humor	<b><i>Restart</i></b> (Gordon Korman)	Chase falls off a roof and develops amnesia. When he gets back to school, he begins to learn who he was – the trouble is, he really is not sure he likes the old Chase, but can he restart his life?
Romance	<b><i>What Light</i></b> (Jay Asher)	When Sierra falls for Caleb, a boy who made a terrible mistake years before, she is determined to help him find forgiveness, despite the disapproval and suspicions they meet.
Romance	<b><i>Love, Life and the List</i></b> (Kasie West)	Abby gives herself one month to check off ten things on a list, ranging from falling in love to learning a stranger's story.
Sports	<b><i>Losers Take All</i></b> (David Klass)	At a sports-crazy NJ high school where all kids must play on a team, a group of rebels start a soccer team designed to undermine the jock-culture of the school.
Sports	<b><i>Last Man Out</i></b> (Mike Lupica)	Tommy Gallagher, the bravest and toughest football player on the field, faces his biggest battle ever when his father, a Boston firefighter, is fatally injured while rescuing a child.
Horror	<b><i>One for Sorrows</i></b> (Mary Downing Hahn)	When unlikeable Elsie dies in the influenza pandemic of 1918, she comes back to haunt Annie to make sure she'll be Annie's best--and only--friend soon.
Nonfiction	<b><i>The Plot to Kill Hitler</i></b> (Patricia McCormick)	True story of how Dietrich Bonhoeffer, pastor and scholar, participated in a secret plot to kill Hitler.
Nonfiction	<b><i>Chasing King's Killers</i></b> (James L. Swanson)	This book provides an inside look into the lives of James Earl Ray and Martin Luther King, the history of the time, and a blow-by-blow examination of the assassination.
Nonfiction	<b><i>I Will Always Write Back</i></b> (Caitlin Alifirenka & Martin Ganada)	Chronicles the friendship between an American girl and her pen pal from Zimbabwe, discussing how a class assignment was the beginning of a correspondence that spanned six years and changed two lives.
Nonfiction	<b><i>Same but Different: Teen Life on the Autism Express</i></b> (Holly Robinson Peete)	Through alternating narratives based on their own lives and the similar experiences of other teens, Ryan Elizabeth Peete and her twin brother, RJ, who has autism, bravely and honestly reveal what it means to be a teen living with the disorder.

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*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.