

RECOMMENDED READING LIST

For students who are preparing for high school

It's a good idea for incoming high school students to have read a variety of genres. Use the list below as a guide, but not as mandatory requirements. These titles are popular, high-interest, and often alluded to in high school classes.

REALISTIC FICTION

1. *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
2. *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio
3. *Mockingbird* by Katherine Erskine
4. *Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls
5. *Holes* by Louis Sachar

HISTORICAL FICTION

1. *Between Shades of Gray* by Ruta Sepetys
2. *Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry* by Mildred Taylor
3. *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne
4. *Chains* by Laurie Halse Anderson
5. *Salt to the Sea* by Ruta Sepetys

SCIENCE FICTION

1. *The Giver* by Lois Lowry
2. *Legend* by Marie Lu
3. *Scythe* by Neil Schusterman
4. *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeline L'Engle
5. *Cinder* by Marissa Meyer

FANTASY

1. *Between Shades of Gray* by Ruta Sepetys
2. *Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry* by Mildred Taylor
3. *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne
4. *Chains* by Laurie Halse Anderson
5. *Salt to the Sea* by Ruta Sepetys

DYSTOPIAN

1. *The Testing* by Joelle Charbonneau
2. *The Maze Runner* by Andy Weir
3. *The Hunger Games* by Aldous Huxley
4. *Uglies* by Scott Westerfield
5. *Unwind* by Neil Shusterman

NONFICTION

1. *I am Malala* by Malala Yousafzai
2. *Ripley's Believe it or Not*
3. *Choosing Courage: Inspiring True Stories of What it Means to be a Hero* by Peter Collier
4. *Chasing Lincoln's Killer* by James L. Swanson
5. *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* by William Kamkwamba

MEMOIR

1. *We Should Hang Out Sometime* by Josh Sundquist
2. *Soul Surfer* by Bethany Hamilton
3. *El Deafo* by CeCe Bell
4. *Left for Dead* by Pete Nelson
5. *Courage to Soar: A Body in Motion, A Life in Balance* by Simone Biles

GRAPHIC NOVEL

1. *Smile* by Raina Telgemeir
2. *Rapunzel's Revenge* by Shannon & Dean Hale
3. *This One Summer* by Mariko & Jillian Tamaki
4. *Ghosts* by Raina Telgemeier
5. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* by Jeff Kinney

CLASSIC

1. *Animal Farm* by George Orwell
2. *Flowers for Algernon* by Daniel Keyes
3. *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
4. *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury

AWARD WINNERS

1. *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park
2. *All American Boys* by Jason Reynolds
3. *A Child Called It* by David Peltzer
4. *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell

RECOMMENDED READING LIST

For students who are in high school

It's a good idea for current high school students to have read a variety of genres. Use the list below as a guide, but not as mandatory requirements. These titles are popular, high-interest, and often alluded to in high school classes.

REALISTIC FICTION

1. *The Fault in Our Stars* by John Green
2. *Eleanor and Park* by Rainbow Rowell
3. *13 Reasons Why* by Jay Asher
4. *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson
5. *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie

HISTORICAL FICTION

1. *The Help* by Katherine Stockett
2. *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr
3. *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak
4. *Fallen Angels* by Walter Dean Meyer
5. *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

SCIENCE FICTION

1. *Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline
2. *The Martian* by Andy Weir
3. *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley
4. *The 5th Wave* by Rick Yancey
5. *House of the Scorpion* by Nancy Farmer

FANTASY

1. *The Help* by Katherine Stockett
2. *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr
3. *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak
4. *Fallen Angels* by Walter Dean Meyer
5. *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

DYSTOPIAN

1. *Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline
2. *The Martian* by Andy Weir
3. *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley
4. *Matched* by Ally Condie
5. *The House of the Scorpion* by Nancy Farmer

NONFICTION

1. *Guinness Book of World Records*
2. *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand
3. *Blackhawk Down* by Mark Bowden
4. *The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls
5. *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot

MEMOIR

1. *A Long Way Gone* by Ishmael Beah
2. *Tweak* by Nic Sheff
3. *The Pregnancy Project* by Abby Rodriguez
4. *Three Little Worlds* by Ashley Rhodes-Courter
5. *Die Young with Me* by Rob Rufus

GRAPHIC NOVEL

1. *Persepolis* by Marjane Satrapi
2. *V is for Vendetta* by Alan Moore
3. *American Born Chinese* by Gene Luen Yang
4. *Poe: Stories and Poems* by Gareth Hinds
5. *Child Soldier: When Boys and Girls are Used in War* by Michel Chikwanine

CLASSIC

1. *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding
2. *The Catcher in the Rye* by J.D. Salinger
3. *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald
4. *1984* by George Orwell

AWARD WINNERS

1. *Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe* by Benjamin Alire Saenz
2. *My Sister's Keeper* by Jodi Piccolt
3. *Asking for It* by Louise O'Neill
4. *The Hate You Give* by Angie Thomas

RECOMMENDED READING LIST

It's a good idea for middle and high school students to have read a variety of genres. Use the list below as a guide, but not as mandatory requirements. These titles are popular, high-interest, and often alluded to in secondary classes.

REALISTIC FICTION

HISTORICAL FICTION

SCIENCE FICTION

FANTASY

DYSTOPIAN

NONFICTION

MEMOIR

GRAPHIC NOVEL

CLASSIC

AWARD WINNERS