



Summer Reading 2018
Enfield Public Schools
John F. Kennedy Middle School, Grades 6-8
www.enfieldschools.org

Summer reading information can be found on the Enfield Public Schools homepage, English and Library webpages, and at the Enfield Public Library.

Summer reading program decisions are made in consideration of research in best practice, staff and student input, and expectations outlined in the school and district mission statements. This year, the summer reading focus at John F. Kennedy Middle School is to provide an abundance of choices to further support student interest in reading and successes with our newly implemented reading model of instruction.

Contained within the extensive list of options are popular titles from the previous school year's book club authors, as well as topics related both to studied themes and general student interest. Book suggestions represent a wide range of topics, genres, and complexity levels. We are hopeful that every child will find reading material that is satisfying, enjoyable, and relatable to instruction across multiple classrooms at JFK.

To participate in JFK's summer reading program, students may choose a book of their own or one from the list provided. Reading and the completion of a chosen product will earn students a free homework assignment pass to use in English class within the month of September, as well as rewards offered through the Enfield Public Library. Summer reading product options include an online book review, a creative extension, or participation (with a friend or parent) in a one-hour book club discussion at JFK on Wednesday, August 15. Details of these options are outlined in a separate document.

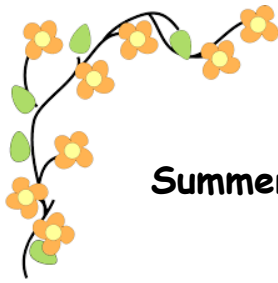
For more information or support with this program, contact Deborah Gaskell, 6-12 English Coordinator, at dgaskell@enfieldschools.org or Adrienne Snow, K-12 Reading & Library Coordinator, at asnow@enfieldschools.org.

Thank you for your anticipated participation!

The mission of John F. Kennedy Middle School:

To provide a secure, nurturing, and academically rigorous environment that meets the individual needs of our diverse community. We prepare students to become college and career ready citizens who can contribute responsibly in a global community.





Enfield Public Schools
John F. Kennedy Middle School
Summer Reading Program Performance Options



- Choose a book from our comprehensive list of summer reading suggestions.
- Choose a performance option. This will earn you a free homework assignment pass for a select English assignment in September and can also double for rewards earned through the Enfield Public Library.

Performance Options (choose one):

1. Attend the August 15 (11:00 a.m.) book club discussion at the Enfield High School library with peers and/or parents and teachers. No pre-registration necessary; just show up!
The featured novel is *A Long Way from Chicago* by Richard Peck. Come prepared for some light discussion about the novel, and feel free to use the **optional** reading guide to store some thoughts for discussion.
2. Create a five-question quiz (with an answer key, of course) on elements of the novel you feel are important to remember. Multiple choice or short answer - your choice! Bring a copy to your English teacher by Wednesday, September 5.
3. Create a poster to advertise the novel. Include an attention-grabbing overview (without giving away the details, of course) and images to entice others to read. Bring it to your English teacher by Wednesday, September 5.
4. Create a technology presentation (PowerPoint or other platform) to highlight key elements of the novel. Email the presentation to your English teacher by Wednesday, September 5.
5. Write a book review for online posting. Include one full paragraph and a rating (out of five stars). Although your rating will indicate how well you personally liked the book, your written review should highlight two positives about the book, such as an interesting scene or something a reader can learn. Email your paragraph to dgaskell@enfieldschools.org or asnow@enfieldschools.org for posting to Wordpress.com. For class credit, print out and bring a copy of your post to your English teacher by Wednesday, September 5.



Dear JFK Parents,

Please consider joining us at the Enfield High School Library at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 15 for a teacher-sponsored book chat on the following featured book:

A Long Way from Chicago by Richard Peck

In this informal setting, a few of our teachers will meet with readers for a whole-group discussion on elements of the text. Your child's participation in this event will count as a summer reading performance activity, earning him or her a free English homework assignment pass, as well as summer reading rewards being offered through the Enfield Public Library.

This book chat will last approximately one hour. Feel free to drop off your child for the duration (pick up at 12:00 noon), or join us to see what it is like to be part of a book club discussion!

Pre-registration is not necessary for this event. Light refreshments will be served. A reading guide is available for students who wish to record their thoughts while reading. Copies are available in each classroom now through the end of the school year, as well as online on the JFK library, Reading, and English department webpages. Although the reading guide is not required, it may help students to organize their thoughts and serve as a starting point for topics of discussion.

Thank you for considering to be a part of our growing love for reading at JFK. We look forward to many more book discussions with your child throughout the upcoming school year.

Sincerely,

The JFK English, Library, and Reading Departments

Enfield Public Schools

2018 John F. Kennedy Middle School

Incoming Grade 6 Summer Reading Suggestions

| If you liked this selection in Grade 5... | ...you might also like this book by the same author: |
|---|--|
| <i>Every Living Thing</i> by Cynthia Rylant | <i>The Islander</i> The year he is ten, Daniel Jennings meets a mermaid. With a single word, she opens the world for him, though he must puzzle out her meaning over another ten years on the wind-scoured coast of Coquille, the Pacific Northwest island upon which Daniel lives with his grandfather. This haunting, beautiful tale is a story of marvelous happenings in a young man's life. |
| <i>Fly Away Home</i> by Eve Bunting | <i>The Summer of Riley</i> Eleven-year-old William never needed a friend more than now. After his parents' separation, his father's new engagement, and his grandfather's dying without any warning -- adopting big, beautiful Riley is the first thing in a long time that has made him feel better. That is, until Riley innocently chases a horse. |
| <i>When Lunch Fights Back: Wickedly Clever Animal Defenses</i> by Rebecca L. Johnson | <i>Ernest Shackleton: Grippled by the Antarctic</i> Ernest Shackleton's sense of adventure led him to a career as a sailor. One of the most inhospitable and dangerous places on Earth, Antarctica, drew Shackleton south four times. Shackleton's single-minded determination and bravery earned him the respect of his fellow explorers when his ship was crushed by ice and he managed to bring his crew back alive. |

Enfield Public Schools

2018 John F. Kennedy Middle School

Incoming Grade 7 Summer Reading Suggestions

| If you liked this Grade 6 book club book... | ...you might also like this book by the same author: |
|--|---|
| <p><i>Because of Mr. Terupt</i> by Rob Buyea</p> | <p><i>Mr. Terupt Falls Again</i></p> <p>Fifth-grade was full of unforgettable events for Mr. Terupt and his class at Snow Hill School. Seven students were particularly affected by Mr. Terupt. Now those seven students are back, and they've been granted the rare opportunity to spend one more year with their beloved teacher before they graduate from elementary school.</p> |
| <p><i>Crenshaw</i> by Katherine Applegate</p> | <p><i>Wishtree</i></p> <p>Warm and thoughtful, this story is told from the perspective of an ancient oak tree who has seen it all. Best-selling author Katherine Applegate gets readers rooting for the old tree, along with the people and animals who come to depend on it.</p> |
| <p><i>Freak the Mighty</i> by Rodman Philbrick</p> | <p><i>Max the Mighty</i></p> <p>In the dramatic sequel to <i>Freak the Mighty</i>, two outsiders, Max and Worm, turn to each other for survival when Max gets blamed for a horrific crime which sends the two teens fleeing from the police and the mysterious "Undertaker."</p> <p><i>The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg</i></p> <p>Young Homer Figg sets off to follow his brother into the thick of the Civil War. Through a series of fascinating events, Homer's older brother has been illegally sold to the Union Army. It is up to Homer to find him and save him.</p> |

| | |
|---|---|
| | <p><i>The Big Dark</i></p> <p>What would you do if every spark of electricity suddenly vanished, as if somebody had flipped a switch on the entire planet? Cars won't start, the heat shuts off, there's no water in your faucet, and your radio, TV, and flashlight go dark. Everyone in Charlie's small town is baffled.</p> <p><i>The Young Man and The Sea</i></p> <p>Twelve-year-old Skiff Beaman's mom just died, and his fisherman dad is too depressed to drag himself off the couch and go to work. Skiff has to take care of everything himself. But when his dad's boat sinks, Skiff discovers it will cost thousands to buy a new engine.</p> |
| <p><i>The Giver</i> by Lois Lowry</p> | <p><i>Number the Stars</i></p> <p>Ten-year-old Annemarie Johansen and her best friend Ellen Rosen often think of life before the war. It's now 1943, and their life in Copenhagen is filled with school, food shortages, and the Nazi soldiers marching through town.</p> |
| <p><i>The Lightning Thief</i> by Rick Riordan</p> | <p><i>The Sea of Monsters</i></p> <p>In this episode, <i>The Sea of Monsters</i>, Percy sets out to retrieve the Golden Fleece before his summer camp is destroyed, surpassing the first book's drama and setting the stage for more thrills to come.</p> |
| <p><i>The War That Saved My Life</i> by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley</p> | <p><i>The War I Finally Won</i></p> <p>World War II continues, and Ada and her brother, Jamie, are living with their loving legal guardian, Susan, in a borrowed cottage on the estate of the formidable Lady Thorton—along with Lady Thorton herself and her daughter, Maggie. Life in the crowded cottage is tense enough, and then, quite suddenly, Ruth, a Jewish girl from Germany, moves in.</p> |
| <p><i>Wonder</i> by R.J. Palacio</p> | <p><i>Auggie & Me</i></p> <p>The three stories told here expand Auggie's world, even though he himself is no longer the central character. Read three new chapters from three different characters: bully Julian, oldest friend Christopher, and classmate Charlotte. Each give insight into how Auggie has touched their own lives.</p> |

Enfield Public Schools
2018 John F. Kennedy Middle School
Incoming Grade 8 Summer Reading Suggestions

| If you liked this Grade 7 book club book... | ...you might also like this book by the same author: |
|--|--|
| <p><i>Counting by 7s</i> by Holly Goldberg Sloan</p> | <p><i>Short</i></p> <p>Julia is very short for her age, but by the end of the summer run of <i>The Wizard of Oz</i>, she'll realize how big she is inside, where it counts. She hasn't ever thought of herself as a performer, but when the wonderful director of <i>Oz</i> casts her as a Munchkin, she begins to see herself in a new way.</p> <p><i>Appleblossom the Possum</i></p> <p>Mama has trained up her baby possums in the ways of their breed, and now it's time for all of them—even little Appleblossom—to make their way in the world.</p> <p><i>Just Call My Name, I'll Be There</i></p> <p>Emily Bell has it all. She's in love with a boy named Sam Border, and his little brother has become part of her family. This summer is destined to be the best time of their lives--until a charismatic new girl in town sets her sights on Sam.</p> |
| <p><i>Monster</i> by Walter Dean Myers</p> | <p><i>Hoops</i></p> <p>All eyes are on seventeen-year-old Lonnie Jackson while he practices with his team for a city-wide basketball Tournament of Champions. His coach, Cal, knows Lonnie has what it takes to be a pro-basketball player, but warns him about giving in to the pressure. Cal knows because he, too, once had the chance--but sold out.</p> |

| | |
|---|--|
| | <p><i>Riot</i></p> <p>During a long hot July in 1863, the worst race riots the United States has ever seen erupt in New York City. Earlier that year, desperate for more Union soldiers, President Abraham Lincoln instituted a draft—a draft that would allow the wealthy to escape serving in the army by paying a \$300 waiver, more than a year’s income for the recent immigrant Irish.</p> <p><i>The Journal of Scott Pendleton Collins: WWII Soldier</i></p> <p>Each harrowing day of battle in France convinces seventeen-year-old Scott Pendleton Collins that he may not survive. In desperation, he records his thoughts, fears, and hopes in a journal he has carried since his first days as a soldier in Basic Training at Fort Dix.</p> <p><i>Scorpions</i></p> <p>This is the story of twelve-year-old Jamal, whose life changes drastically when he acquires a gun. Though he survives the experience, it's not without sacrificing his innocence and possibly his relationship with his best friend.</p> |
| <p><i>Orbiting Jupiter</i> by Gary D. Schmidt</p> | <p><i>Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy</i></p> <p>Not only is Turner Buckminster the son of the new minister in a small Maine town, he is shunned for playing baseball differently than the local boys. Then he befriends smart and lively Lizzie Bright Griffin, a girl from Malaga Island, a poor community founded by former slaves.</p> |
| <p><i>The Outsiders</i> by S.E. Hinton</p> | <p><i>That Was Then, This Is Now</i></p> <p><i>That Was Then, This is Now</i> is S. E. Hinton's moving portrait of the bond between best friends Bryon and Mark and the tensions that develop between them as they begin to grow up and grow apart.</p> <p><i>Rumble Fish</i></p> <p>Rusty-James is the number one tough-guy among the junior high kids who hang out and shoot pool at Benny's. He's proud of his reputation, but what he wants most of all is to be just like his older brother, the Motorcycle Boy.</p> |

| | |
|---|---|
| | <p><i>Tex</i></p> <p>Easygoing, thoughtless, and direct, Tex at fifteen likes everyone and everything, especially his horse, Negrito, and Johnny Collins's blue-eyed sister, Jamie. He thinks life with his seventeen-year-old brother, Mason, in their ramshackle house would be just about perfect if only Mace would stop complaining about Pop.</p> |
| <p><i>Soar</i> by Joan Bauer</p> | <p><i>Hope Was Here</i></p> <p>When Hope and her aunt move to small-town Wisconsin to take over the local diner, Hope's not sure what to expect. But what they find is that the owner, G.T., isn't quite ready to give up yet - in fact, he's decided to run for mayor against a corrupt candidate.</p> <p><i>Close to Famous</i></p> <p>When twelve-year-old Foster and her mother land in the tiny town of Culpepper, they don't know what to expect. But folks quickly warm to the woman with the great voice and the girl who can bake like nobody's business.</p> <p><i>Almost Home</i></p> <p>When twelve-year-old Sugar's grandfather dies and her gambling father takes off yet again, Sugar and her mother lose their home in Missouri. They head to Chicago for a fresh start, only to discover that fresh starts aren't so easy to come by for the homeless.</p> <p><i>Rules of the Road</i></p> <p>Meet Jenna Boller, star employee at Gladstone Shoe Store in Chicago. Standing a gawky 5'11" at 16 years old, Jenna is the kind of girl most likely to stand out in the crowd for all the wrong reasons. But that doesn't stop Madeline Gladstone, the president of Gladstone's Shoes 176 outlets in 37 states, from hiring Jenna. Jenna soon becomes a shoe-store spy on an eye-opening adventure.</p> |
| <p><i>Unbroken (Young Adult Edition)</i> by Laura Hillenbrand</p> | <p><i>Seabiscuit</i></p> <p>Seabiscuit was one of the most electrifying and popular attractions in sports history and the single biggest newsmaker in the world in 1938, receiving more coverage than FDR, Hitler, or Mussolini. But his success was a surprise to the racing establishment, which had written off the crooked-legged racehorse with the sad tail.</p> |

Enfield Public Schools

2018 John F. Kennedy Middle School End of Grade 8 Summer Reading Suggestions (for further optional reading) (See high school summer reading assignment for REQUIRED reading.)

| If you liked this Grade 8 book club book... | ...you might also like this book by the same author: |
|---|--|
| <p><i>Chains</i> by Laurie Halse Anderson</p> | <p><i>Forge</i></p> <p>In this compelling sequel to <i>Chains</i>, the perspective is shifted from Isabel to Curzon to tell the tale of what it takes for runaway slaves to forge their own paths in a world of obstacles—and in the midst of the American Revolution.</p> <p><i>Ashes</i></p> <p><i>Freedom for one, freedom for all?</i> That’s the question that burns in Isabel’s mind as she and Curzon forge on through chaos and fear toward the dream that’s kept them alive for so many years: freedom. But her dream of living not as a “runaway” but as a free person with land and a family of her own seems impossibly far away.</p> <p><i>Fever 1793</i></p> <p>It's late summer 1793, and the streets of Philadelphia are abuzz with mosquitoes and rumors of fever. Down near the docks, many have taken ill, and the fatalities are mounting. Now they include Polly, the serving girl at the Cook Coffeehouse.</p> <p><i>Wintergirls</i></p> <p>Lia and Cassie are best friends, wintergirls frozen in matchstick bodies, competitors in a deadly contest to see who can be the skinniest. But what comes after size zero and size double-zero? When Cassie succumbs to the demons within, Lia feels she is being haunted by her friend’s restless spirit.</p> |

| | |
|---|--|
| | <p><i>The Impossible Knife of Memory</i></p> <p>For the past five years, Hayley Kincaid and her father, Andy, have been on the road, never staying long in one place as he struggles to escape the demons that have tortured him since his return from Iraq. Now they are back in the town where he grew up so Hayley can attend school.</p> <p><i>Twisted</i></p> <p>High school senior Tyler Miller used to be the kind of guy who faded into the background—average student, average looks, average dysfunctional family. But since he got busted for doing graffiti on the school and spent the summer doing outdoor work to pay for it, he stands out like you wouldn't believe.</p> |
| <p><i>The House of the Scorpion</i> by Nancy Farmer</p> | <p><i>The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm</i></p> <p>General Matsika's children steal out of the house on a forbidden adventure--and disappear. In Zimbabwe, in the year 2194, the children's parents call in Africa's most unusual detectives--the Ear, the Eye and the Arm--who have powers far beyond those of other human beings.</p> |
| <p><i>Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children</i> by Ransom Riggs</p> | <p><i>Hollow City</i></p> <p>This second novel begins in 1940, immediately after the first book ends. Having escaped Miss Peregrine's island by the skin of their teeth, Jacob and his new friends must journey to London, the peculiar capital of the world. Along the way, they encounter new allies, a menagerie of peculiar animals, and other unexpected surprises.</p> <p><i>Library of Souls</i></p> <p>The adventure that began with <i>Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children</i> and continued in <i>Hollow City</i> comes to a thrilling conclusion with <i>Library of Souls</i>. As the story opens, sixteen-year-old Jacob discovers a powerful new ability, and soon he's diving through history to rescue his peculiar companions from a heavily guarded fortress.</p> <p><i>Tales of the Peculiar</i></p> <p>Wealthy cannibals who dine on the discarded limbs of peculiars. A fork-tongued princess. The origins of the first ymbryne. These are but a few of the truly brilliant stories in <i>Tales of the Peculiar</i>—known to hide information about the peculiar world—first introduced by Ransom Riggs in his <i>Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children</i> series.</p> |

| | |
|---|--|
| <p><i>Okay for Now</i> by Gary D. Schmidt</p> | <p><i>The Wednesday Wars</i></p> <p>Meet Holling Hoodhood, a seventh-grader at Camillo Junior High, who must spend Wednesday afternoons with his teacher, Mrs. Baker, while the rest of the class has religious instruction. Mrs. Baker doesn't like Holling—he's sure of it.</p> <p><i>Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy</i></p> <p>Not only is Turner Buckminster the son of the new minister in a small Maine town, he is shunned for playing baseball differently than the local boys. Then he befriends smart and lively Lizzie Bright Griffin, a girl from Malaga Island, a poor community founded by former slaves.</p> |
| <p><i>One Crazy Summer</i> by Rita Williams-Garcia</p> | <p><i>Gone Crazy in Alabama</i></p> <p>Delphine, Vonetta, and Fern are off to Alabama to visit their grandmother Big Ma and her mother, Ma Charles. Across the way lives Ma Charles's half-sister, Miss Trotter. The two half-sisters haven't spoken in years.</p> |
| <p><i>Projekt 1065: A Novel of World War II</i> by Alan Gratz</p> | <p><i>Code of Honor</i></p> <p>Kamran Smith has it all. He's the star of the football team, dates the most popular girl, and can't wait to enlist in the army like his big brother, Darius. Although Kamran's mother is from Iran, Kamran has always felt 100% American.</p> <p><i>The Brooklyn Nine: A Novel in Nine Innings</i></p> <p>In nine innings, this novel tells the stories of nine successive Schneider kids and their connection to Brooklyn and baseball. As in all family histories and all baseball games, there is glory and heartache, triumph and sacrifice.</p> <p><i>Prisoner B-3087</i></p> <p>As a Jewish boy in 1930s Poland, Yanek is at the mercy of the Nazis who have taken over. Everything he has, and everyone he loves, have been snatched brutally from him. And then Yanek himself is taken prisoner -- his arm tattooed with the words PRISONER B-3087.</p> |

| | |
|--|--|
| | <p><i>Refugee</i></p> <p>All three kids go on harrowing journeys in search of refuge. All will face unimaginable dangers -- from drownings to bombings to betrayals. But there is always the hope of tomorrow. And although Josef, Isabel, and Mahmoud are separated by continents and decades, shocking connections will tie their stories together in the end.</p> |
| <p><i>The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963</i> by Christopher Paul Curtis</p> | <p><i>Bud, Not Buddy</i></p> <p>Bud's got an idea that those flyers will lead him to his father. Once he decides to hit the road and find this mystery man, nothing can stop him--not hunger, not fear, not vampires, not even Herman E. Calloway himself.</p> <p><i>Elijah of Buxton</i></p> <p>Eleven-year-old Elijah is the first child born into freedom in Buxton, Canada, a settlement of runaway slaves just over the border from Detroit. He's best known for having made a memorable impression on Frederick Douglass, but that changes when a former slave steals money from Elijah's friend, who has been saving to buy his family out of captivity in the South.</p> |
| <p><i>Witness</i> by Karen Hesse</p> | <p><i>Phoenix Rising</i></p> <p>Nyle's life with her grandmother on their Vermont sheep farm advances rhythmically through the seasons until the night of the accident at the Cookshire nuclear power plant. Without warning, Nyle's modest world fills with protective masks, evacuations, contaminated food, disruptions, and mistrust.</p> <p><i>Out of the Dust</i></p> <p>When Billie Jo is just fourteen she must endure heart-wrenching ordeals that no child should have to face. The quiet strength she displays while dealing with unspeakable loss is as surprising as it is inspiring. Written in free verse, set in the heart of the Great Depression, it is an unforgettable tribute to hope and inner strength.</p> |

**Other Suggested Titles Relating to JFK Book Club Themes/Topics,
Grades 6-8
(range of reading levels):**

GROWING UP:

Summerhouse Time by Eileen Spinelli
Holes by Louis Sachar
Planet Middle School by Nikki Grimes
Save Me a Seat by Sarah Weeks
The Way a Door Closes by Hope Anita Smith
Heartbeat by Sharon Creech
Hate that Cat by Sharon Creech
Love that Dog by Sharon Creech

EXPLORING ADOLESCENCE/OVERCOMING

OBSTACLES:

Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt
Rhyme Schemer by K.A. Holt
Serafina's Promise by Ann Burg
A Year Down Yonder by Richard Peck
One-Handed Catch by Mary Jane Auch
A Long Way from Chicago by Richard Peck
Peak by Roland Smith
Left Out by Tim Greene
Survival in the Storm the Dust Bowl Diary of Grace Edwards by Katelan Janke
Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse
The Dust Bowl: An Interactive History by Allison Lassieur
The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle by Leslie Connor

THE INFLUENCE OF OTHERS (WAR /HOLOCAUST):

Odette's Secrets by Maryann MacDonald
I Survived the Bombing of Pearl Harbor by Lauren Tarshis
The Attack on Pearl Harbor: An Interactive History by Allison Lassieur
World War II: An Interactive History by Elizabeth Raum
Abner and Me by Dan Gutman
I Survived: The Nazi Invasion, 1944 by Lauren Tarshis
Refugee by Alan Gratz

SPORTS:

Knockout by K.A. Holt
Booked by Kwame Alexander
The Million Dollar Series (sports) by Dan Gutman
One-Handed Catch by Mary Jane Auch
The Contract by Derek Jeter
Rebound by Kwame Alexander

Matt Christopher titles:

Snowboard Showdown
Catch That Pass
Center Court Sting
Skateboard Tough
Soccer Halfback
Long-Arm Quarterback
The Hockey Machine
Dirt Bike Runaway

Jake Maddox titles:

Motocross Double-Cross
Outfield Outcast
Second Chance Soccer
Bad Luck Baseball

Mike Lupica titles:

Comeback Kids (series)
The Extra Yard
Miracle on 49th Street
Last Man Out
Fast Break
Game Changers: Heavy Hitters

Tim Green titles:

Touchdown Kid
The Perfect Season
The Big Time
Football Hero
Football Champ

The Journal of Scott Pendleton Collins: A WWII Soldier by Walter Dean Myers
The Journal of Rufus Rowe : Witness to the Battle of Fredricksburg
by Sid Hite
Basher Five-Two by Scott O'Grady
Riot by Walter Dean Myers
Stealing Nazi Secrets in World War II: An Interactive History
by Elizabeth Raum
T4 by Ann LeZotte

PERSPECTIVES/EXAMINING JUSTICE

(SLAVERY/CIVIL RIGHTS):

The Underground Railroad: An Interactive History
by Allison Lassieur
Nightjohn by Gary Paulsen
The Civil Rights Movement: An Interactive History
by Heather Adamson
Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom by Lynda Blackmon Lowery
Lunch-Box Dream by Tony Abbott
The Madman of Piney Woods by Christopher Paul Curtis
Day of Tears by Julius Lester

John Feinstein titles:

The Sixth Man
Cover-up: Mystery at the Super Bowl
Rush for Gold

FANTASY/SCIENCE FICTION:

Flora and Ulysses by Kate DiCamillo
Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo
Fablehaven (series) by Brandon Mull
Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt
Maze Runner (series)
Charlie & the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl
Hunger Games (series)
The Testing (series) by Joelle Charbonneau
Harry Potter (series) by J.K. Rowling

NONFICTION:

Amazing Athletes (series)
Who Was? (series)
I Survived: True Stories (series) by Lauren Tarshis
Sports Stars (series)
A Child Called It by Dave Pelzer
Undefeated: Jim Thorpe and Carlisle
Indian School Football Team by Steve Sheinkin
Lincoln's Spymaster by Samantha Seiple
Nazi Hunters by Neal Bascomb
Irena's Children by Tilar Maseo
My Life in Dog Years by Gary Paulsen
War Dogs: Tales of Canine Heroism, History and Love
by Rebecca Frankel
Into Thin Air by Jon Krakauer