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## Suggested Reading 7th - 8th

### Authors

Julia Alvarez	Sharon Flake
John Greene	Nikki Grimes
Jason Reynolds	Carl Hiaasen
Mike Lupica	Will Hobbs
Walter Dean Myers	Anthony Horowitz
Brandon Mull	Lois Lowry
Cassandra Clare	Ally Condie
Suzanne Collins	Christopher Paul Curtis

### LMS Staff Picks

**The Hunger Games** by *Suzanne Collins*

**The Revolution of Evelyn Serrano**

by *Sonia Manzano*

**The Girl Who Drank the Moon** by *Kelly Barnhill*

**As Brave as You** by *Jason Reynolds*

**The Maze Runner** by *James Dashner*

**I Am Malala** by *Malala Yousafzai*

**OCDaniel** by *Wesley King*

**Love, Ish** by *Karen Rivers*

**Brown Girl Dreaming** by *Jacqueline Woodson*

**The Crossover** by *Alexander Kwame*

**Before We Were Free** by *Julia Alvarez*

### Best of the Web & Reading Apps

Grammarly; Common Sense Media;  
Documentary Tube; Newseum; Khan Academy;  
GeoCube; TedTalks; Podcasts

### Try These:

Graphic Novels, Horror, Memoirs, Short Stories,  
Mysteries; Online articles, newspapers

### Curriculum Connections

USA; Latin America; Africa; Middle East; Europe;  
Asia & The Pacific; Major Religions; Political Parties;  
Matter; Genetics; Forces/Bridges; Solar System

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## Reading/Writing Activity Ideas

- Go on a nature walk and write and illustrate a nature journal.
- Create an Instagram feed for a character in a book you've read
- Cook or bake something! Read a recipe and follow directions. In addition to literacy skill development, cooking and baking also develops math and science skills.
- Create a comic.
- Illustrate and capture a scene from a book you've read this summer.
- Write a news article about a summer adventure.
- Listen to an audio book.
- Read a fiction and a non-fiction book about the same subject.



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<https://nhfpl.org/collections/research-databases-2/>

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# New Haven Public Schools

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## Suggested Reading K-2nd

### Authors

Tedd Arnold  
Jan Brett  
Dr. Seuss  
Mo Willems  
Andrea Beaty

Kevin Henkes  
Tomie dePaola  
Mo Willems  
David Shannon  
Ezra Jack Keats

### LMS Staff Picks

**Not Quite Narwal** by *Jessie Sima*

**Legend of Rock Paper Scissors**  
by *Drew Daywalt*

**Ada Twist Scientist** by *Andrea Beaty*

**Marta! Big & Small** by *Jen Arena*

**Henry's Freedom Box** by *Ellen Levine*

**Dancing in the Wings** by *Debbie Allen*

**Bad Kitty Scaredy-Cat** by *Nick Bruel*

**Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus**  
by *Mo Willems*

**The Book with No Pictures** by *B.J. Novak*

**The Adventures of Beekle**

**the Unimaginary Friend** by *Dan Santat*

### Best of the Web & Reading Apps

abcYa! Starfall; Dance Mat Typing; Between the Lions (PBS Kids), StorylineOnline, Read Write Think; PBS Reading Games; Endless Reader; Splash Math; Children's Story Hour; Story Jumper; One More Story

### Try These:

Cookbooks, Joke Books, Fairytales, Animals, Informational texts,

### Curriculum Connections

School & Family; Friends; Celebrations & Traditions; Choices; Measurements; Solids/Liquids; Nutrition; Animals; Weather; Seasons; Living Things;

## Suggested Reading 3rd 4th

### Authors

Julia Alvarez  
Judy Blume  
Gary Soto  
Raina Telgemeier  
Geronimo Stilton  
Max Brallier

Dav Pilkey  
Jeff Kinney  
Nick Bruel  
Jarrett J. Krosoczka

### LMS Staff Picks

**Wonder** by *R.J. Palacio*

**A Series of Unfortunate Events** by *Lemony Snicket*

**Flora & Ulysses** by *Kate DiCamillo*

**Brothers in Hope: The Story of the Lost Boys of Sudan** by *Mary Williams*

**Dog Man** by *Day Pilkey*

**Amina's Voice** by *Hena Khan*

**The Last Kids on Earth** by *Max Brallier*

**Ghosts** by *Raina Telgemeier*

**The Best Man** by *Richard Peck*

**Older Than Dirt: A Wild but True History of Earth** by *Don Brown & Dr. Mike Permit*

### Best of the Web & Reading Apps

National Geographic; Kiz Club; Barnes & Noble; Brainzy; PBS Kids; Smithsonian; Tween Tribune;

### Try These:

Cookbooks, Graphic Novels, Biographies, Folklore

### Curriculum Connections

Community; Immigration & Family Roots; Native Americans; African Americans; Geography; Democracy; Rocks; Recycling; Plant life cycles; Force & Motion; Ecosystems

## Suggested Reading 5th - 6th

### Authors

Celia Perez  
Tom Angleberger  
Jeff Smith  
Mary Downing Hahn  
Madeline L'Engle  
Gary Soto  
Erin Hunter  
Lois Lowry  
Jerry Spinelli

Celia Perez  
Eva Ibbotson  
Christopher Paolini  
Wendelin Van Draanen  
Brian Jacques  
Richard Peck  
Betty Ren Wright

### LMS Staff Picks

**Roller Girl** by *Victoria Jamieson*

**Dead End in Norvelt** by *Jack Gantos*

**Change Up** by *Derek Jeter*

**Restart** by *Gordan Korman*

**Hello, Universe** by *Kelly Erin Estrada*

**Birchbark House** by *Louise Erdrich*

**Amal Unbound** by *Aisha Saeed*

**Michael Vey Series Books** by *Richard Paul Evans*

### Best of the Web & Reading Apps

Eagle Eye Citizen, Nancy Keane's Book talks; Common Sense Media; KidCitizen;

### Try These:

Poetry, Magazines, Sports Stories, Mythology; online articles; newspapers

### Curriculum Connections

Colonization; Revolutionary War; American Government; Reform & Civil War; Industrial Revolution; Countries & Capitols; Sound; Light; Health; Simple Machines