

8th Grade Honor Books

Biography / Memoirs

Facing the Lion: Growing up Maasai on the African Savanna by Joseph Lekuton

Counting Coup: Becoming a Crow Chief on the Reservation and Beyond by Joseph Medicine Crow

When I Was Puerto Rican by Esmeralda Santiago

The Diary of Ma Yan: The Struggles and Hopes of a Chinese Schoolgirl by Ma Yan

Chinese Cinderella by Adeline Yen Mah

Thura's Diary: My Life in Wartime Iraq by Thura Al-Windawi

Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom

The Woman Warrior: Memoirs of a Girlhood Among Ghosts by Maxine Hong Kingston

When I Was a Soldier: a Memior by Valerie Zenatti

Farewell to Manzanar by Jeanne Houston

Ghosts of War: the True Story of a 19-year-old G.I. by Ryan Smithson

Non-Fiction

The Man-Eaters of Tsavo by J. H. Patterson

Stiff: The Curious Life of Human Cadavers by Mary Roach

Silent Night: The Story of the World War I Christmas Truce by Stanley Weintraub

Flags of our Fathers: Heroes of Iwo Jima by James Bradley

Phineas Gage: A Gruesome But True Story About Brain Science by John Fleischman

Air Raid Pearl Harbor: The Story of December 7, 1941 by Theodore Taylor

Hiroshima by John Hersey

Inside Delta Force: The Story of America's Elite Counterterrorist Unit by Eric Haney

Kids at Work: Lewis Hine and the Crusade Against Child Labor by Russell Freedman

Genocide: Modern Crimes Against Humanity by Brendan January

We Shall Not Be Moved: The Women's Factory Strike of 1909 by Joan Dash

Generation Green: The Ultimate Teen Guide to Living an Eco-Friendly Life by Linda Sivertsen

Hey Ranger! : True Tales of Humor and Misadventure From America's National Parks by Jim Burnett

Getting Away With Murder: The True Story of the Emmett Till Case by Chris Crowe

A Whale for the Killing by Farley Mowat

Seabiscuit: An American Legend by Laura Hillenbrand

Climbing Everest: Tales of Triumph and Tragedy on the World's Highest Mountain by Audrey Salkeld

Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Change the World – One Child at a Time by Greg Mortenson

The Omnivore's Dilemma for Kids: the Secrets behind What You Eat by Michael Pollan

Classics

The Red Pony by John Steinbeck

The Pearl by John Steinbeck

Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck

Frankenstein by Mary Shelley

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde by Robert Louis Stevenson

The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane

Animal Farm by George Orwell

Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury

The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton

Flowers for Algernon by Daniel Keyes

White Fang by Jack London

The Call of the Wild by Jack London

Brave New World by Aldous Huxley

The Old Man and The Sea by Ernest Hemingway

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeline L'Engle

The Martian Chronicles by Ray Bradbury

The Time Machine by H. G. Wells

The War of the Worlds by H. G. Wells

A Wind in the Door by Madeline L'Engle

The Light in the Forest by Conrad Richter

Go Tell it on the Mountain by James Baldwin

Emma by Jane Austen

Wuthering Heights by Emily Bronte

Historical Fiction

Day of Tears by Julius Lester

The Fighter by Jean-Jacques Greif

Aleutian Sparrow by Karen Hesse

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Into the Firestorm: A Novel of San Francisco, 1906 by Deborah Hopkinson

Bound by Donna Jo Napoli

The Boy Who Dared by Susan Campbell Bartoletti

Hitler's Canary by Sandi Toksvig

Time's Memory by Julius Lester

Yellow Star by Jennifer Roy

The Shakespeare Stealer by Gary Blackwood

Shane by Jack Schaefer

The Red Rose Box by Brenda Woods

Silver Canyon by Louis L'Amour

Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse

The Game of Silence by Louis Erdrich

The Dreams of Mairhe Mehan by Jennifer Armstrong

There Will be Wolves by Karleen Bradford

Fantasy

Maximum Ride (series) by James Paterson

The Dark Flight Down by Marcus Sedgwick

Coraline by Neal Gaiman

Blood and Chocolate by Annette Curtis Klause

The Silver Kiss by Annette Curtis Klause

Diary of a Fairy Godmother by Esme Raji Codell

Once Upon a Time in the North by Philip Pullman

Fairest by Gail Carson Levine

Once Upon a Time (series) by Various Authors

Daughters of the Moon (series) by Lynne Ewing

A Wizard of Earthsea by Ursula K. LeGuin

The Storyteller's Daughter by Cameron Dokey

Something Wicked This Way Comes by Ray Bradbury

Mystery

I Know What You Did Last Summer by Lois Duncan

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon

The Case of the Left-Handed Lady: An Enola Holmes Mystery by Nancy Springer

Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery by John Feinstein

The Twisted Window by Lois Duncan

And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie

Science Fiction

The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy (series) by Douglas Adams

The Martian Chronicles by Ray Bradbury

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeline L'Engle

The Bar Code Tattoo by Suzanne Weyn

Mergers by Steven Layne

The Time Machine by H. G. Wells

The War of the Worlds by H. G. Wells

A Wind in the Door by Madeline L'Engle

Childhood's End by Arthur C. Clarke

The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins

Realistic Fiction

Waiting for Normal by Leslie Connor

Whirligig by Paul Fleischman

I Am the Messenger by Markus Zusak

Thirteen Reasons Why by Jay Asher

The Earth, My Butt, and Other Big Round Things by Carolyn Mackler

Shooter by Walter Dean Myers

Big Mouth and Ugly Girl by Joyce Carol Oats

The Pigman by Paul Zindel

Stargirl by Jerry Spinelli

Stuck in Neutral by Terry Trueman

The Dear One by Jacqueline Woodson

Buddah Boy by Kathe Koja

The Contender by Robert Lipsyte

A Summer to Die by Lois Lowry

Lisa, Bright and Dark by John Neufeld

A Day No Pigs Would Die by Robert Newton Peck

Remembering the Good Times by Richard Peck

Forged By Fire by Sharon Draper

The Road to Paris by Nikki Grimes

Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

Gingerbread by Rachel Cohn

Chernowitz! by Fran Arrick