

Summer Reading List 2010  
Entering 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

In the Middle School, the English teacher will begin the year by looking at the Required Reading. We suggest that students read the required book near the close of summer vacation so that they have a vivid remembrance of what they have read when classes begin. Though different assignments may be given according to grade level, students can be assured that their teacher will ask them to respond to the books with knowledge and insight through discussions, tests, and writing assignments. In addition to reading the required book, we expect students to read at least one other book from the "Suggested List." Students should read books they have not previously read.

**Required Reading: Choose one from the two given**

*The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate DeCamillo or *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry

**Suggested Reading: Select one from this list**

<i>Bridge to Terabithia</i>	Katherine Paterson
<i>Brightly of the Grand Canyon</i>	Marguerite Henry
<i>Bud, Not Buddy</i>	Christopher Paul Curtis
<i>Caddie Woodlawn</i>	Carol Ryrie Brink
<i>Catherine, Called Birdy</i>	Karen Cushman
<i>The Chronicles of Narnia (any one book not read)</i>	C. S. Lewis
<i>Hatchet</i>	Gary Paulsen
<i>The Incredible Journey</i>	Sheila Burnford
<i>The Jungle Book</i>	Rudyard Kipling
<i>My Side of the Mountain</i>	Jean Craighead George
<i>Old Yeller</i>	Fred Gipson
<i>Shiloh</i>	Phyllis R. Naylor
<i>The View from Saturday</i>	E. L. Konigsburg
<i>The Westing Game</i>	Ellen Raskin
<i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i>	Wilson Rawls
<i>Souder</i>	William Armstrong
<i>Julie of the Wolves</i>	Jean George
<i>The Secret Garden</i>	Frances Hodgson Burnett
<i>Little Women</i>	Louisa May Alcott
<i>The Twenty-one Balloons</i>	William Pene' Dubois
<i>The Midwife's Apprentice</i>	Karen Cushman
<i>The Light in the Forest</i>	Conrad Richter
<i>Kira-Kira</i>	<i>Cynthia Kadohata</i>

***Enjoy your Reading!***

**Additional books read may be reported on for extra credit at the teacher's discretion.**