



SUMMER READING 2019

Summer break brings many opportunities for each of us to experience new adventures and reunite with family and friends, as well as time to relax. We also recommend ten hours of experiences—written text, eBook, audio or visual, in a variety of literary genres.

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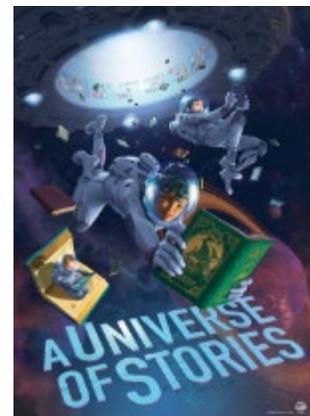
A list of suggested titles for summer reading

Task cards to complete for novel read

Bookshare family account information for free eBook listening/reading

Bring completed task cards to school in the fall. Extra copies of all summer reading materials are available at the school web site.

Whether you are headed to the beach, to a summer camp, or spending time at home with your family and friends, remember to take the time to do something positive for continued educational growth – get involved with literature!



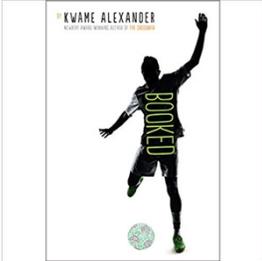
*Alternatively, public library, bookstore or any other summer reading program record of completion may be submitted.

(Images from https://www.mylakelibrary.org/services/adult_summer_programs.aspx and <http://www.olis.ri.gov/reading/srp/teen.php>)

Suggested Titles for Summer Reading

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*indicates audio version available at public libraries



***Booked by Kwame Alexander**

Nick Hall is the star player on the soccer team until a bombshell announcement shatters his world. 314 pages (Realistic Fiction Grades 4-8)



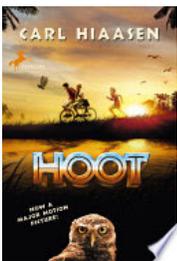
***The Crossover by Kwame Alexander**

Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with the highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health. 237 pages (Realistic Fiction Grades 4-8)



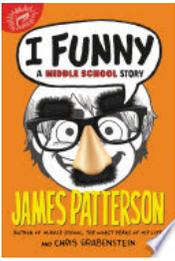
***Ghost by Jason Reynolds**

Aspiring to be the fastest sprinter on his elite middle school's track team, gifted runner Ghost finds himself challenged by a tragic past with a violent father. 181 pages (Realistic Fiction Grades 4-8)



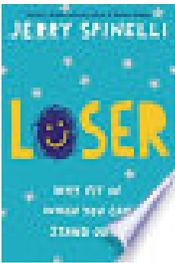
Hoot by Carl Hiaasen (Newberry Honor book)

Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site. 292 pages (Realistic Fiction Grades 4-8)



***I Funny by James Patterson and Chris Grabenstein**

Jamie Grimm is a middle schooler on a mission: he wants to become the world's greatest standup comedian, even if he doesn't have a lot to laugh about these days. He's new in town and stuck living with his aunt, uncle, and their evil son Stevie, a bully who doesn't let Jamie's wheelchair stop him from giving Jamie a good pounding every once in awhile. 303 pages (Realistic Fiction Grades 4-8)



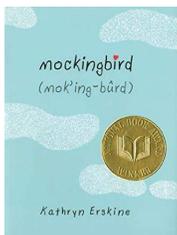
***Loser by Jerry Spinelli**

Just like other kids, Zinkoff rides his bike, hopes for snow days, and wants to be like his dad when he grows up. But Zinkoff always raises his hand with all the wrong answers, trips over his own feet, and falls down with laughter over a word like "jabip." Other kids have their word to describe him, but Zinkoff is too busy to hear it. He doesn't know he's not like everyone else. One winter night, Zinkoff's differences show that any name can someday become "hero." 218 pages (Realistic Fiction Grades 4-8)



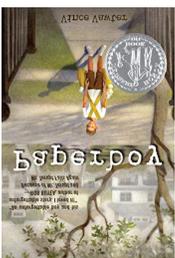
Lost in the Sun by Lisa Graff

As Trent Zimmerman struggles to move past a traumatic event that took place several months earlier, he befriends class outcast Fallon Little, who helps him understand that he can move on. 289 pages (Realistic Fiction Upper Middle Grades 6+)



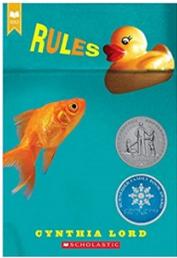
Mockingbird by Kathryn Erskine

Ten-year-old Caitlin, who has Asperger's Syndrome, struggles to understand emotions, show empathy, and make friends at school, while at home she seeks closure by working on a project with her father. 235 pages (Realistic Fiction Middle Grades 6-8)



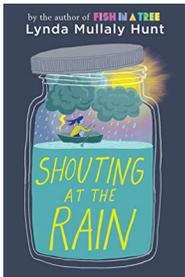
Paperboy by Vince Vawter

When an eleven-year-old boy takes over a friend's newspaper route in July, 1959, in Memphis, his debilitating stutter makes for a memorable month. 224 pages (Historical Fiction Middle Grades 6-8)



***Rules* by Cynthia Lord**

Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, twelve-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence but her world is further complicated by a friendship with a young paraplegic. 200 pages (Realistic Fiction Middle Grades 6-8)



***Shouting at the Rain* by Lynda Mullaly Hunt**

Delsie loves tracking the weather, living with her grandmother, and the support of friends and neighbors, but misses having a “regular family,” especially after her best friend outgrows her. (Realistic Fiction Middle Grades)

- **Other Suggested Titles**

- ***Absolutely Almost*** by Lisa Graff
- ***Chasing Vermeer*** by Blue Balliett, Brett Helquist
- ***The Hobbit*** by J.R.R. Tolkien
- ***My Side of the Mountain*** by Jean Craighead George
- ***Nathan Hale’s Hazardous Tales*** (graphic novel series) by Nathan Hale
- ***The Westing Game*** by Ellen Raskin

- **Suggested Authors**

- Sharon Creech
- Kate Dicamillo
- Carl Hiassan
- Alexander Kwame
- Gary Paulsen