

Favorite Middle School Authors and Books

Realistic Fiction

Benjamin, Ali

- ***The Thing About Jellyfish**

Bowling, Dusti

- ***The Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus**

Buyea, Rob

- ***Because of Mr. Terrupt series** (#1 Because of Mr. Terrupt; Mr. Terrupt Falls Again; Saving Mr. Terrupt; Goodbye Mr. Terrupt)

Condie, Ally

- ***Summerlost**

Conklin, Melanie

- ***Counting Thyme**

Connor, Leslie

- ***All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook**

Creech, Sharon

- ***Love That Dog**
- ***Hate That Cat**

Davies, Jacqueline

- ***The Lemonade Wars series** (The Lemonade War; The Lemonade Crime; The Bell Bandit; The Candy Smash; The Magic Trap)

Draper, Sharon M.

- ***Out of My Mind**
- **Out of My Heart (coming soon!)**

Firestone, Carrie

- ***DressCoded**

Green, John

- **The Fault in Our Stars**
- **An Abundance of Katharines**

Greenwald, Lisa

- ***Pink and Green series** (My Life in Pink and Green; My Summer of Pink and Green; Pink and Green is the New Black)

Han, Jenny

- ***To All The Boys I've Loved Before series:** To All the Boys I've Loved Before; P.S. I Still Love You; Always and Forever, Lara Jean

Holm, Jennifer and Matthew

- ***The Fourteenth Goldfish**

Hunt, Lynda Mullaly

- ***Fish in a Tree**

Jacobson, Jennifer Richard

- ***Small as an Elephant**

Korman, Gordon

- **Gifted**

Palacio, R.J.

- ***Wonder**

Lord, Cynthia

- ***Rules**

**Reynolds, Jason

- Long Way Down

Ryan, Pam Munoz

- **Paint the Wind**
- ***Becoming Naomi Leon**

Sachar, Louis

- ***Holes series: Holes; The Cardturner; Small Steps**

Schmatz, Pat

- ***Bluefish**
- **Okay for Now**

Sloan, Holly Goldberg

- ***Counting by 7's**

Welch, Jenna Evans

- ***Love and Gelato**
- **Love and Luck**
- **Love and Olives**

Yang, Kelly

- ****Front Desk**
- **Three Keys**
- **Room to Dream (coming out this fall)**

Yoon, Nicola

- ***Everything, Everything**
- **The Sun is Also a Star**

Historical Fiction

Anderson, Laurie Halse

- ***Fever 1793**
- **Chains series**

Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker

- ***The War That Saved My Life**
- **The War I Finally Won**

Wolk, Lauren

- ***Wolf Hollow**

Levine, Kristin

- ***Lions of Little Rock**

Science Fiction/Fantasy/Fairytales

Adams, Douglas

- ***Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy**

Colfer, Cris

- ***The Land of Stories series** (The Wishing Spell; The Enchantress Returns; A Grimm Warning; Beyond the Kingdoms; An Author's Odyssey; World Collide)

Flanagan, John

- ***Ranger's Apprentice series** (12 books): Ruins Gorland; Burning Bridge; Icebound Land; Battle Skandia; Sorcerer North; Siege of Macindaw; Erak's Ransom; King's Clonmel; Halt's Peril; Emperor Nihon-Ja; Lost Stories; Royal Ranger)

Mass, Wendy

- ***Willow Falls series** (Eleven Birthdays; 12 Finally; 13 Gifts; The Last Present; Graceful)

Mull, Brandon

- ***Fablehaven** (Fablehaven; Rise of the Evening Star; Grip of the Shadow Plague; Secrets of the Dragon Sanctuary; Keys to the Demon Prison)

Paolini, Christopher

- Eragon and the Inheritance series

Riordan, Rick

- ***Percy Jackson and the Olympians series-** Greek mythology (The Lightning Thief; The Sea of Monsters; The Titan's Curse; The Battle of the Labyrinth; The Last Olympian)

Rowling, J.K.

- ***Harry Potter series** (7 books: HP and the Sorcerer's Stone; HP and the Chamber of Secrets; HP and the Prisoner of Azkaban; HP and the Goblet of Fire; HP and the Order of the Phoenix; HP and the Half-Blood Prince; HP and the Deathly Hallows)

Dystopian

Condie, Ally

- ***Matched trilogy** (Matched; Crossed; Reached)

Collins, Suzanne

- ***Hunger Games** trilogy (Hunger Games; Catching Fire; Mockingjay)

Dashner, James

- ***The Maze Runner series** (The Maze Runner; The Scorch Trials; The Death Cure; The Kill Order; The Fever Code (prequel))

Liggett, Kim

- The Grace Year

Lu, Marie

- Legend series

Roth, Veronica

- ***Divergent series** (Divergent; Insurgent; Allegiant; Four)

Romance

Cass, Kiera

- ***The Selection series:** The Selection; The Elite; One; Heir; The Crown

Welch, Jenna Evans

- ***Love and Gelato**

Mystery

Cooney, Caroline B.

- ***The Face on the Milk Carton series** (5): The Face on the Milk Carton; Whatever Happened to Janie?; The Voice on the Radio; What Janie Found; Janie Face to Face)

Grabenstein, Chris

- ***Lemoncello series:** Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library; Mr. Lemoncello's Library Olympics; Mr. Lemoncello's Great Library Race; Mr. Lemoncello's All-Star Breakout Game

Hahn, Mary Downing

- ***Closed for the Season**

Stead, Rebecca

- ***When You Reach Me**

Stewart, Trenton Lee

- ***The Mysterious Benedict Society series:** The Mysterious Benedict Society; The Mysterious Benedict Society and the Perilous Journey; TMBS and the Prisoner's Dilemma; The Extraordinary Education of Nicholas Benedict (prequel)

Animals

Adams, Richard

- Watership Down

Applegate, Katherine

- ***The One and Only Ivan**
- **The One and Only Bob**
- **Wishtree**

Pennypacker, Sara

- ***Pax**

Sports

Alexander, Kwame

- ***The Crossover Series (The Crossover; Booked; Rebound)**

Green, Tim

- **Perfect Season (and others)**

Lupica, Mike

- QB 1

Action/Suspense

de la Pena, Matt

- ***The Living Series: The Living; The Hunted**

Gibbs, Stuart

- ***Spy School series:** Spy School; Spy Camp; Evil Spy School; Spy Ski School; Spy School Secret Service; Spy School Goes South; Spy School British Invasion; Spy School Revolution

Haddix, Margaret Peterson

- ***The Missing Collection** (Found; Sent; Sabotaged; Torn; Caught; Risked; Revealed; Redeemed)

Snickett, Lemony

- ***A Series of Unfortunate Events** (13 in series: Bad Beginning; The Reptile Room; The Wide Window; The Miserable Mill; The Austere Academy; The Ersatz Elevator; The Vile Village; The Hostile Hospital; The Carnivorous Carnival; The Slippery Slope; The Grim Grotto; The Penultimate Peril; The End)

Environment/Technology

Hiaasen, Carl

- ***Hoot**

Paulsen, Gary

- Brian's Sage series (***Hatchet**; The River; Brain's Winter; Brian's Return; Brian's Hunt)

Nonfiction

Reynolds, Jason and Kendi, Ibram

***Stamped for Kids (written with Ibram Kendi)**

Soontornvat, Christina

- All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team

Biography/Memoir

Cisneros, Sandra

- ***House on Mango Street**

Graphic Novels

Craft, Jerry

- The New Kid
- Class Act

Jamieson, Victoria

- ***Roller Girl (graphic novel)**

Telgemeier, Raina

- ***Smile- (all graphic novels)**

Other Suggested Authors and Titles

Alexander, Kwame

- Blink series (Solo; Swing)

Anderson, John David

- Ms. Bixby's Last Day

Anderson, Laurie Halse

- Chains (The Seeds of America trilogy: Chains; Forge; Ashes)
- Speak
- Shout

Applegate, Katherine

- Crenshaw
- Ending #1: The Last
- Ending #2: The First
- Home of the Brave

Beatty, Robert

- Serafina series: Serafina and the Black Cloak; Serafina and the Twisted Staff; Serafina and the Splintered Heart; Serafina and the Seven Stars
- Willa of the Woods

Birdsall, Jeanne

- The Penderwicks series (The Penderwicks; The Penderwicks on Gardam Street; The Penderwicks at Point Mouette; The Penderwicks in Spring; The Penderwicks At Last)

Blackwood, Gary

- The Shakespear Stealer series: The Shakespeare Stealer; Shakespeare's Scribe; Shakespeare's Spy

Blume, Judy

- Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing
- Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great

- Superfudge
- Fudge-a-mania
- Double Fudge
- Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret
- Blubber
- Deenie
- Iggy's House
- It's Not the End of the World
- Then Again, Maybe I Won't
- Starring Sally J. Freedman As Herself
- Freckle Juice
- Tiger Eyes

Bowling, Dusti

- Momentous Events in the Life of a Cactus
- 24 Hours in Nowhere

Buyea, Rob

- The Perfect Score series (The Perfect Score; The Perfect Secret; The Perfect Star)

Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker

- For Freedom: The Story of a French Spy
- Jefferson's Sons: A Founding Father's Secret Children
- The Lacemaker and the Princess
- Leap of Faith
- Fighting Words
- Ruthie's Gift

Brown, Peter

- The Wild Robot
- The Wild Robot Escapes

Cabot, Meg

- The Princess Diaries Collection (10 books: The Princess Diaries; It Takes Two; Third Time Lucky; Mia Goes Fourth; Give Me Five; Sixsational; Seventh Heaven; After Eight; The Princess Diaries to the Nine; The Princess Diaries Ten Out of Ten)

Cass, Kiera

- The Selection series
- The Betrothed

Cavallero, Brittany

- Charlotte Holmes Novels (4): A Study in Charlotte; The Last of August; The Case for Jamie; A Question of Holmes)
- Muse (*coming out in Feb)

Choldenko, Gennifer

- Tales from Alcatraz: Al Capone Does My Shirts; Al Capone Shines My Shoes; Al Capone Does My Homework; Al Capone Throws Me a Curve

Colfer, Cris

- A Tale of Magic
- A Tale of Witchcraft

Collins, Suzanne

- The Underland Chronicles (Gregor the Overlander; Gregor and the Prophecy of Bane; Gregor and the Curse of the Warmbloods; Gregor and the Marks of Secret; Gregor and the Code of Law)
- The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes (prequel to The Hunger Games)

Condie, Ally

- Atlantia

Conklin, Melanie

- Every Missing Piece

Connor, Leslie

- The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle
- Crunch
- Waiting for Normal
- The Things You Kiss Goodbye

Creech, Sharon

- Walk Two Moons
- Moo
- Ruby Holler
- Absolutely Normal Chaos
- The Wanderer
- Chasing Redbird

de la Pena, Matt

- Mexican Whiteboy
- We Were Here

Dicamillo, Kate

- Because of Winn-Dixie
- The Tale of Despereaux
- The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane
- Raymie Nightingale
- Louisiana's Way Home
- The Tiger Rising
- The Magician's Elephant
- Beverly, Right Here

Dixon, Franklin

- Hardy Boys series (The Tower Treasure; The House on the Cliff; The Secret of the Old Mill; The Missing Chums; Hunting for Missing Gold)- 190 in series, though some consider only the first 58 part of the "canon")

Draper, Sharon M.

- Stella Starlight
- Blended

Duprau, Jeanne

- City of Ember series (The City of Ember; The People of Sparks; The Diamond of Darkhold; The Prophet of Yonwood)

Frederick, Heather Vogel

- Pumpkin Falls Mystery series: Absolutely Truly; Yours Truly

Gibbs, Stuart

- Complete Moon Base Alpha: Space Case; Spaced Out; Waste of Space)
- FunJungle collection: Belly Up; Poached; Big Game
- Even More FunJungle: Panda-monium; Lion Down; Tyrannosaurus Wrecks

Green, John

- Paper Towns

Green, Tim

- Football Genius series: Football Genius; Football Hero; Football Champ; The Big Time; Deep Zone; Perfect Season
- The Big Game
- Baseball Great series: Baseball Great; Rivals; Best of the Best

Grisham, John

- Theodore Boone series: Kid Lawyer; The Abduction; The Accused; The Activist; The Fugitive; The Scandal

Haddix, Margaret Peterson

- The Shadow Children (Among the Hidden; Among the Impostors; Among the Betrayed; Among the Barons; Among the Brave; Among the Enemy; Among the Free)
- Greystone Secrets #1: The Strangers
- Greystone Secrets #2: The Deceivers

Hahn, Mary Downing

- Mary Downing Hahn's Haunting Tales: Wait Till Helen Comes; All the Lovely Bad Ones; Deep and Dark and Dangerous
- Guest: A Changeling Tale
- The Girl in the Locked Room: A Ghost Story
- One for Sorrow: A Ghost Story
- Hear the Wind Blow

Han, Jenny

- The Complete Summer I Turned Pretty series: The Summer I Turned Pretty; It's Not Summer Without You; We'll Always Have Summer

Hannigan, Katherine

- Ida B.
- True

Hautman, Pete

- Slider
- Rash
- No Limit
- Godless
- Otherwood
- Invisible
- Blank Confession
- Mr. Was

Hiaasen, Carl

- Flush
- Scat
- Chomp
- Squirm

Holm, Jennifer and Matthew

- Sunny series (2): Swing It Sunny; Sunny Side Up)
- Sunny Rolls the Dice

Hunt, Lynda Mullaly

- One for the Murphys
- Shouting at the Rain

Jamieson, Victoria

- All's Fair in Middle School

Johnson, Maureen

- Truly Devious series (Truly Devious; The Vanishing Stair; The Hand on the Wall)
- Shades of London series (The Shadow Cabinet; The Madness Underneath; The Name of the Star) *The Boy in the Smoke (prequel)

Keene, Carolyn

- Nancy Drew series (The Secret of the Old Clock; The Hidden Staircase; The Bungalow Mystery; The Mystery at Lilac Inn; The Secret of Shadow Ranch (175 volumes; 124 in Nancy Drew Files series)

Kelly, Lynne

- Song for a Whale
- Chained

Kinney, Jeff

- Diary of a Wimpy Kid series (Diary of a Wimpy Kid; Rodrick Rules; The Last Straw; Dog Days; The Ugly Truth; Cabin Fever; The Third Wheel; Hard Luck; The Long Haul; Old School....)

Korman, Gordon

- Restart
- Ungifted
- Supergifted
- The Unteachables
- Masterminds
- Notorious
- Slacker

Kraatz, Jeramey

- The Cloak Society series: The Cloak Society; Villains Rising; Fall of Heroes

Lord, Cynthia

- A Handful of Stars
- Because of the Rabbit
- Half a Chance
- Touch Blue

Marks, Janae

- From the Desk of Zoe Washington

Martin, Ann M.

- A Dog's Life: An Autobiography of a Stray
- Rain Reign
- A Corner of the Universe
- The Baby-Sitters Club series

Mass, Wendy

- Bob
- The Candymakers
- Every Soul a Star

Mull, Brandon

- The Beyonders (A World Without Heroes; Seeds of Rebellion; Chasing the Prophecy)

Palacio, R.J.

- Wonder
- Auggie and Me

Patterson, James

- Middle School Series: Middle School, The Worst Years of My Life; I Funny; Treasure Hunters; Jacky Ha-ha

Paulsen, Gary

- Woodsong
- Dogsong
- Lawn Boy

Rawls, Wilson

- Summer of the Monkeys

***Reynolds, Jason

- Look Both Ways

Riordan, Rick

- The Kane Chronicles (Egyptian mythology) (The Red Pyramid; The Throne of Fire; The Serpent's Shadow)

- The Heroes of Olympus (The Lost Hero; The Son of Neptune; The Mark of Athena; The House of Hades; The Blood of Olympus)
- Magnus Chase series- Norse mythology (The Sword of Summer; The Hammer of Thor; The Ship of the Dead;
- Nine from the Nine Worlds (Norse mythology)
- Trials of Apollo (The Hidden Oracle; The Dark Prophecy; The Burning Maze;The Tyrant's Tomb; The Tower of Nero)

Roth, Veronica

- Carve the Mark series (Carve the Mark; The Fates Divide)
- The End and Other Beginnings (short stories)

Ryan, Pam Munoz

- *Echo
- *Esperanza Rising
- **Riding Freedom
- The Dreamer

Rylant, Cynthia

- Rosetown
- I Had Seen Castles

Sachar, Louis

- Fuzzy Mud

Sloan, Holly Goldberg

- Counting by Sevens
- Short

Smith, Roland

- IQ series (Independence Hall; The White House; Kitty Hawk; The Alamo; Windy City; Alcatraz)

Smith, Steven

- The Virginia Mysteries: Summer of the Woods; Mystery on Church Hill; Ghosts of Belle Isle; Midnight at the Mansion; Shadows at Jamestown; Spies at Mount Vernon; Escape from Monticello

Snyder, Laurel

- Orphan Island

Stead, Rebecca

Liar and Spy

- The List of Things That Will Not Change

Telgemeier, Raina

- Sisters
- Guts
- Drama
- Ghosts

Weeks, Sarah

- So B. It
- Soof
- Pie
- Honey
- Save Me a Seat

Welch, Jenna Evans

- Love and Luck
- Love and Olives

Wilder, Laura Ingalls

- Little House in the Big Woods
- Farmer Boy
- Little House on the Prairie
- On the Banks of Plum Creek
- By the Shores of Silver Lake
- The Long Winter
- Little Town on the Prairie
- These Happy Golden Years
- The First Four Years

Wolk, Lauren

- Echo Mountain
- Beyond the Bright Sea