

Summer Reading List 2011  
Entering 8<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**

*Beloved Invader* by Eugenia Price or *Red Badge of Courage* by Stephen Crane

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

*The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes*  
*All Creatures Great and Small*  
*The Book of King Arthur*  
*Captains Courageous*  
*Christy*  
*Clara Barton*  
*Death Be Not Proud*  
*Johnny Tremain*  
*The Hobbit*  
*A Man Called Peter*  
*Treasure Island*  
*Watership Down*  
*White Fang*  
*Tuck Everlasting*  
*The Giver*  
*Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee*  
*Kon Tiki*  
*A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*  
*The Time Machine*  
*The Egypt Game*  
*The Andromeda Strain (science)*  
*Alas, Babylon*  
*The Five People You Meet in Heaven*  
***Enjoy your Reading!***

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle  
James Herriot  
Howard Pyle  
Rudyard Kipling  
Catherine Marshall  
Leni Hamilton  
John Gunther  
Esther Forbes  
J.R.R. Tolkien  
Catherine Marshall  
Robert Louis Stevenson  
Richard Adams  
Jack London  
Natalie Babbitt  
Lois Lowery  
Dee Brown  
Thor Hyrerdahl  
Betty Smith  
H. G. Wells  
Zilpha Keatley Snyder  
Michael Crichton  
Pat Frank  
Mitch Albom

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