

## 6th and 7th Grade Summer Reading

Reading requirements:

Students are required to read at least **two books** over the summer. One book needs to be from the following list. This book should be a book the student has not previously read. Students are required to complete the book report form for **one book only**. Students may choose their second book from the list below, or they may email a book of their choosing to Mrs. Volk or Mrs. Cufu for approval. Sixth grade may use [michelle.cufu@rockfordchristian.org](mailto:michelle.cufu@rockfordchristian.org); seventh grade may use [katie.volk@rockfordchristian.org](mailto:katie.volk@rockfordchristian.org). Throughout the summer students may submit the book report on the Google Classroom assignment. During the first week of school, students will turn in any summer book reports not already submitted and take the AR test.

### **Fantasy Fiction**

A Wrinkle in Time

### **AR Points**

7

### **Quick Summary**

Meg searches for her father, a scientist

Eragon

20

A poor boy whose destiny is to be a dragon rider

Redwall

16

Ancient Redwall's life is shattered by an evil rat

Princess Academy

10

Miri attends a strict princess academy

The Door Within

13

Three scrolls take Aidan to a time of knights

The Ruins of Gorlan

12

Will becomes an apprentice to a mysterious ranger

Tunnels

20

Finding his dad takes him to an evil labyrinth

### **Fiction**

Anne of Green Gables

### **AR Points**

18

### **Quick Summary**

11-year old Anne finds a home at Green Gables

Little Women

33

The March sisters during the Civil War

Maniac Magee

5

He's challenging racism in this divided town

Piecing Me Together

7

Teen girl from poor neighborhood striving for success

Rules

4

12-year old Catherine has a brother with autism

Stargirl

8

Popularity, conformity, first love and eccentric

The One and Only Ivan

4

A silverback gorilla that lived in a cage at the mall

The Mysterious Benedict Society

18

4 children go undercover to stop an evil plan

The Penderwicks

8

4 sisters on vacation in the mountains

View from Saturday

7

Explore the lives of this 6th grade Academic team

Walk Two Moons

9

A 13-year old tells stories to her grandparents

Where the Red Fern Grows

11

Billy saves and buys two hunting hounds

### **Historical Fiction**

A Single Shard

### **AR Points**

6

### **Quick Summary**

A young, poor, Korean orphan wants to be a potter

Chains

11

Isabella tries to escape slavery during Revolution

Crispin

7

14th century England, falsely accused, orphaned boy

Esperanza Rising

6

Forced to leave wealthy Mexico & work in labor camp

Fever 1793

7

Disease and tragedy strike 14-year old Mattie

Island of the Blue Dolphin

6

A 12-year old girl stranded on island for years

Lily's Crossing	5	1944, Lily befriends a Hungarian refugee
Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy	10	1911, Turner meets Lizzie after he moves
One Crazy Summer	7	Three sisters visit their mom during Civil Rights
Refugee	10	Three kids go on dangerous journeys for refuge.
The Watsons Go to Birmingham: 1963	8	A hilarious family road trip during 60's Civil Rights
Witch of Blackbird Pond	9	Kit befriends a "witch" during Salem Witch Trials
Year Down Yonder	4	Great Depression, she must live with aunt in Illinois

### **Mystery**

	<b><u>AR Points</u></b>	<b><u>Quick Summary</u></b>
Chasing Vermeer	6	An art mystery set in Chicago
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler	5	Siblings run away to an art museum in New York

### **Science Fiction**

	<b><u>AR Points</u></b>	<b><u>Quick Summary</u></b>
Among the Hidden	5	His whole life Luke has lived in hiding as a 3rd child
Found	9	Jonah is one of the missing. What does that mean?
The House of Scorpion	15	Matt was harvested, not born. He's trying to escape.

### **Sports**

	<b><u>AR Points</u></b>	<b><u>Quick Summary</u></b>
Heat	9	Baseball
Jackie and Me	10	Baseball
Summer Ball	10	Basketball
The Crossover	2	Basketball, verse novel

### **Rebecca Caudill Young Reader's Book Award**

The Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award is an annual award given to the author of the book voted most outstanding by students in grades four through eight in participating Illinois schools. If you read three books off of the 2021 nomination book list by February 2021, you can vote for your favorite book. Here are a few book options to get you started. There will be more to come.

<b><u>Title/Author</u></b>	<b><u>AR points</u></b>	<b><u>Quick Summary</u></b>
A Good Kind of Trouble by Lisa Ramee	9	Shayla is wondering if she is black enough
Me, Frida, and the Secret of the Peacock Ring by Angela Cervantes	7	Paloma travels to Mexico and finds a mystery
New Kid by Jerry Craft	2	7th grader is enrolled in a private school
Nowhere Boy by Katherine Marsh	12	A young boy befriends a Syrian refugee
Resistance by Jennifer Nielsen	14	A Jewish teenager in Nazi-occupied Poland
The Only Road by Alexandra Diaz	10	12-year old escapes the drug cartel in Guatemala and escapes to New Mexico





**Theme:** What moral, message, or lesson about life does the author want to share with the reader? What did the character learn? What lesson could you learn from reading this book? Some common themes are the following: courage, perseverance, acceptance, honesty, respect, teamwork, friendship, determination, being yourself, etc. Write in complete sentences.

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**Your opinion:** Write at least three more sentences telling what you thought about the story. Would you recommend this book? Why or why not? What did you like or dislike about the story? Is there anything you would change about the story?

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