

## Contemporary

Return to Sender ..... Alvarez  
Nothing But the Truth ..... Avi  
Tangerine ..... Bloor  
The Tequila Worm ..... Canales  
Things Not Seen ..... Clements  
The Girl Who Threw Butterflies ..... Cochrane  
Hazelwood High Trilogy (series) ..... Draper  
Monkey Island ..... Fox  
Jack Henry (series) ..... Gantos  
Eleven ..... Giff  
Blue Lipstick: Concrete Poems ..... Grandits  
My Life in Pink and Green ..... Greenwald  
Bird ..... Johnson  
Danger Zone ..... Klass  
Zoobreak ..... Korman  
Silk Umbrellas ..... Marsden  
Autobiography of My Dead Brother ..... Myers  
Mismatch ..... Namioka  
Habibi ..... Nye  
Bamboo People ..... Perkins  
Slob ..... Potter  
Holes ..... Sachar  
Keeping the Night Watch ..... Smith  
Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie ..... Sonnenblick  
Stargirl ..... Spinelli  
Love, Stargirl ..... Spinelli  
Black and White ..... Volponi  
After Tupac and D Foster ..... Woodson  
The Make Lemonade Trilogy ..... Wolff  
American Born Chinese ..... Yang  
Millicent Min, Girl Genius ..... Yee  
Reaching For Sun ..... Zimmer

## Fantasy/Science Fiction

Underland Chronicles (series) ..... Collins  
The Dark Is Rising ..... Cooper  
The Maze Runner (series) ..... Dashner  
The Green Man: Tales from the Mythic Forest ..Datlow & Windling  
Books of Ember (series) ..... DuPrau  
Inkheart Trilogy (series) ..... Funke  
The Graveyard Book ..... Gaiman  
Princess Academy ..... Hale  
Keys to the Kingdom (series) ..... Nix

The Wee Free Men ..... Pratchett  
His Dark Materials Trilogy (series) ..... Pullman  
Larklight ..... Reeve  
The Forest of Hands and Teeth ..... Ryan  
Endymion Spring ..... Skelton  
The Mysterious Benedict Society (series) ..... Stewart  
Bartimaeus Trilogy (series) ..... Stroud  
The New Policeman Trilogy (series) ..... Thompson  
Uglies Trilogy (series) ..... Westerfeld

## Biography

Tasting the Sky: A Palestinian Childhood ..... Barakat  
Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story about  
Brain Science ..... Fleischman  
The Trouble Begins at 8: A Life of Mark Twain  
in the Wild, Wild West ..... Fleischman  
The Great and Only Barnum: The Tremendous  
Stupendous Life of Showman P. T. Barnum ..... Fleming  
The Lincolns: A Scrapbook Look at Abraham  
and Mary ..... Fleming  
5,000 Miles to Freedom: Ellen and William Craft's  
Flight from Slavery ..... Fradin  
The Power of One: Daisy Bates and the  
Little Rock Nine ..... Fradin  
The Voice That Challenged a Nation: Marion Anderson  
and the Struggle for Equal Rights ..... Freedman  
Good Brother, Bad Brother: The Story of Edwin Booth  
and John Wilkes Booth ..... Giblin  
Charles and Emma: The Darwins' Leap of Faith ..... Heiligman  
Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice ..... Hoose  
Red Scarf Girl: A Memoir of the Cultural Revolution ..... Jiang  
Tree Shaker: The Story of Nelson Mandela ..... Keller  
Terror of the Spanish Main: Sir Henry Morgan  
and His Buccaneers ..... Marrin  
Anne Frank: Her Life in Words and Pictures from  
the Archives of the Anne Frank House ..... Metselaar  
Open the Door to Liberty! A Biography of  
Toussaint L'Ouverture ..... Rockwell  
Twelve Rounds to Glory: The Story of Muhammad Ali ..... Smith  
Satchel Paige: Striking Out Jim Crow ..... Sturm



## Legends and Myths

Troll's Eye View ..... Datlow, editor  
The Goose Girl ..... Hale  
Gods, Goddesses and Monsters ..... Keenan  
Outlaw: The Legend of Robin Hood ..... Lee  
Gilgamesh ..... McCaughrean  
Bound ..... Napoli  
Ain't Nothing But A Man: My Quest to Find  
the Real John Henry ..... Nelson  
August House Book of Scary Stories ..... Parkhurst  
The Illustrated Book of Myths ..... Philip  
Beowulf: A Tale of Blood, Heat and Ashes ..... Raven  
Percy Jackson and the Olympians (series) ..... Riordan  
The Beautiful Stories of Life: Six Greek Myths, Retold ..... Rylant

## Mystery

Echo Falls Mysteries (series) ..... Abrahams  
Chasing Vermeer ..... Balliett  
The Brixton Brothers (series) ..... Barnett  
The Red Blazer Girls (series) ..... Beil  
The Joy of Spooking (series) ..... Bracegirdle  
Skeleton Man ..... Bruchac  
Lady Grace Mysteries (series) ..... Cavendish  
Diamonds in the Shadow ..... Cooney  
Dead Girls Don't Write Letters ..... Giles  
The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn ..... Hoobler  
Alex Rider (series) ..... Horowitz  
Theodosia Throckmorton (series) ..... LaFavers  
Kiki Strike (series) ..... Miller  
Jade Green ..... Naylor  
Walking to the Bus-Rider Blues ..... Robinet  
When You Reach Me ..... Stead  
The Secret of Gumbo Grove ..... Tate  
Sammy Keyes (series) ..... Van Draanen  
Never Trust a Dead Man ..... Vande Velde

## Historical Fiction

Before We Were Free ..... Alvarez  
Fever 1793 ..... Anderson  
What I Saw and How I Lied ..... Blundell  
Blood on the River: James Town, 1607 ..... Carbone

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## Historical Fiction (continued)

Year of Impossible Goodbyes.....Choi  
Revolution is Not a Dinner Party.....Compestine  
Elijah of Buxton.....Curtis  
Iqbal.....D'Adamo  
Ten Cents a Dance.....Fletcher  
Water Street.....Giff  
Incantation.....Hoffman  
Kira-Kira.....Kadohata  
The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate.....Kelly  
The Green Glass Sea.....Klages  
Guardian.....Lester  
Gold Dust.....Lynch  
When I Crossed No-Bob.....McMullan  
Emily's Fortune.....Naylor  
The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg.....Philbrick  
Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy.....Schmidt  
Keeping Corner.....Sheth  
Climbing the Stairs.....Venkatraman  
One Crazy Summer.....Williams-Garcia  
Listening for Lions.....Whelan  
Black Storm Comin'.....Wilson

## Informational

Mysterious Messages: A History of Codes  
and Ciphers.....Blackwood  
Tracking Trash: Flotsam, Jetsam, and the  
Science of Ocean Motion.....Burns  
What the World Eats.....D'Aluisio and Menzel  
What Are You?: Voices of Mixed-Race Young People.....Gaskins  
The Bone Detectives: How Forensic Anthropologists  
Solve Crimes.....Jackson  
Before Columbus: The Americas of 1491.....Mann  
Spilling Ink: A Young Writer's Handbook.....Mazer  
Saving the Ghost of the Mountain: An Expedition  
Among Snow Leopards in Mongolia.....Montgomery  
Truce: The Day the Soldiers Stopped Fighting.....Murphy  
Marching for Freedom: Walk Together, Children,  
and Don't You Grow Weary.....Partridge  
Is It Still Cheating If I Don't Get Caught?.....Weinstein

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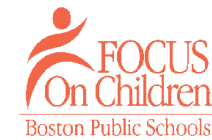
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# 2011 Summer Book List

## Grades 6–8

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

The summer months are a wonderful time to explore the world of books and reading—and the staff of the Boston Public Schools and the Boston Public Library look forward to helping you plan a reading program to last the whole summer.

This Summer Book List will help you choose high quality literature geared to the interests of middle school students. All the books on the list are available at your neighborhood library. Your local librarian can suggest additional titles.

The Boston Public Schools is working to ensure high standards and high achievement for every student in every classroom, and literacy is a priority at all grade levels. We expect our students to work hard at reading and writing, and to keep reading year-round; and we need the support and encouragement of families to help us reach the goal of every student becoming an excellent reader.

Happy reading!

Sincerely,

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