

Saint Ann's School Library, 2019

# Suggested SUMMER READING

for fifth & sixth grades

## Fiction



∞ Alexander, Kwame. **Rebound.** Basketball coming of age story in verse. The exciting hoops- and jazz-filled prequel to ∞ **The Crossover.**



Anderson, M.T. and Eugene Yelchin. **The Assassination of Brangwain Spurge.** A pretentious elfin historian and an affable goblin archivist are thrown together to (sort of) try to establish peace between their warring kingdoms. Illustrated from one perspective, written from the other. Hilarious, ironic, and sweet.



∞ Applegate, Katherine. **The Last.** Set in a world inhabited by six different intelligent species, this epic series begins on the day that Byx, who is a flying doglike creature called a dairne, becomes the last of her kind. Thought-provoking and packed with friendship and adventure. After you devour this, move on to Book 2, ∞ **The First.** Is the legend of a hidden dairne colony based in truth?



∞ Auxier, Jonathan. **Sweep: The Story of a Girl and Her Monster.** Following a terrible fire, chimney sweep Nan Sparrow learns that the piece of charcoal she carries has become a golem—and that he has saved her life. Dickensian adventure.



∞ Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker. **The War that Saved My Life.** Ada is 10 and has never been outside. She was born with a twisted foot that her mother considers an embarrassment, so she watches the world from her window in World War II-era London. One day, she gets a chance to leave the city with a group of kids who are being evacuated to safety from Nazi bombs. Is there finally hope for her? *Sequel:* ∞ **The War I Finally Won.**



∞ Broaddus, Maurice. **The Usual Suspects.** Thelonious is a prankster, and he's always getting blamed for everything, even if he's totally innocent. When a gun is found near school and the principal rounds up "the usual suspects," Thelonious and his best friend team up to figure out how it got there.



∞ Cala, Caroline. **Best Babysitters Ever.** Witty tale of three friends—Malia, Bree and Dot—who need cash to throw an awesome birthday party for themselves. After Malia stumbles upon a copy of a the first-ever Babysitter's Club book, they hatch a brilliant idea—no matter that small children don't exactly excite them. As you can imagine, things don't go quite as planned.

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Titles available through the digital library are noted with this symbol: ∞

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for instructions.**



Callender, Kheryn. **Hurricane Child**. Twelve-year-old Caroline has bad luck. Her mother abandoned her, her peers bully her, and a spirit is following her around her town in the U.S. Virgin Islands. When a new girl comes to school, Caroline finally makes a friend. Could she be more than a friend? Could she help Caroline learn more about her past?



∞ Chokshi, Roshani. **Aru Shah and the End of Time**. In an attempt to impress kids from school, Aru accidentally unleashes a demon in the museum of ancient Indian art where her mom works. Her friends and her mother are frozen in time. Can Aru save them? For more adventures in Hindu mythology, read the sequel, **Aru Shah and the Song of Death**.



∞ DiCamillo, Kate. **Louisiana's Way Home**. Louisiana Elefante, a scene-stealing character from DiCamillo's ∞ **Raymie Nightingale** (read it if you haven't), is awakened in the middle of the night by her grandmother, who says they must run away that instant. Great tale, featuring the author's signature fairytale-ish style.



∞ Draper, Sharon. **Blended**. The latest from the ever-popular Draper (author of ∞ **Stella By Starlight**, **Out Of My Mind**, and other great books). This one is the story of Isabella, an 11-year-old dealing with divorce and identity as she switches back and forth between the homes of her mom (who's white) and dad (who's black).



Gino, Alex. **George**. People look at George and think they see a boy, but George knows she's a girl. When George's class puts on a play version of **Charlotte's Web**, she becomes convinced that if she can just play the role of Charlotte, her mom and others will see her as the girl she is. A funny, touching story about a transgender fourth grader.



∞ Glaser, Karina Yan. **The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street**. Wonderful big-family book whose author visited fourth and fifth graders in the library this year. If you haven't read it, read it. If you've read it, read the sequel, ∞ **The Vanderbeekers and the Hidden Garden**. The third book is due in September!



∞ Goodman, Carol. **The Metropolitans**. As the bombing of Pearl Harbor is taking place in Hawaii, four kids converge on the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York to foil a Nazi plot. Magic, history, and friendship come together in this gripping adventure.



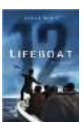
∞ Graff, Lisa. **Far Away**. CJ lives on a traveling bus with her aunt, who is a medium (meaning she connects grieving people with loved ones beyond the grave). CJ herself also has the gift, and gains comfort from her ability to visit with her late mother. Then CJ's mother announces she's "leaving the realm," and will no longer be able to communicate. Lots of heart and unexpected twists and turns.



Gratz, Alan. **Refugee**. A Jewish boy from Germany during World War II. A Cuban girl in the 1990s. A Syrian boy in 2015. All three are refugees fleeing war, hunger, persecution, and political unrest. See how their stories connect in this powerful book.



∞ Haydu, Corey Ann. **Eventown**. In Eventown, the sun always shines. Everybody is nice. They all ride bikes. After a terrible event, Elodee and her twin sister move with their parents to Eventown, where the family is finally happy—until Elodee starts to notice things. There's no creativity. The Eventown library is filled with blank books. There are only three ice cream flavors. Why is she the only one who cares?



∞ Hood, Susan. **Lifeboat 12**. A rare combo: a novel in verse, and a nail-biting survival tale. It's the fictionalized story of real-life 13-year-old Ken Sparks, who was one of 90 British children aboard the *City of Benares*, the ship torpedoed by Nazis in 1940 while transporting the children to Canada and what was supposed to be safety from World War II.



∞ Hicks, Deron R. **The Van Gogh Deception**. When a nameless boy finds himself in Washington, DC's National Gallery of Art with no memory of who he is and on the run from high-tech criminals, he must piece together clues to his own identity while also racing to stop one of the greatest art frauds ever. Fast-paced adventure that includes QR codes to scan for online clues.



∞ Holm, Jennifer. **Full of Beans**. Prequel to the beloved ∞ **Turtle in Paradise** (a book we read aloud to many fourth-grade library classes), about an exuberant gang of kids in Key West during the Great Depression. Heartwarming laughs, plus history and adventure.



∞ Howe, James. **Also Known as Elvis**. If you liked ∞ **Totally Joe** (a read-aloud in fifth-grade library classes) don't miss this. In it, Skeezie, about to have his first child at age 25, recalls the important summer he spent in Paintbrush Falls between seventh and eighth grades—when Joe, Addie, and Bobby were off having adventures. Other books about the gang: ∞ **Addie on the Inside** (Addie's story in verse), and ∞ **The Misfits** (before the events of **Totally Joe**).



∞ Kane, Karen. **Charlie and Frog**. Abandoned once again by his adventure-seeking parents, Charlie is sent to stay with his dull grandparents in the sleepy town of Castle-on-Hudson. There he meets an agitated old woman who tries to communicate something to him—in sign language—then disappears. Worried, he seeks out Frog, a deaf girl in town who happens to love mysteries. Great tale of sleuthing and friendship. *Sequel: The Boney Hand*



∞ Kelly, Erin Entrada. **Hello Universe**. Meet four middle schoolers who couldn't be more different from each other. In this poignant book, they wind up connected for a day as they unwittingly prevent a potentially disastrous event that one of them—a bully named Chet—has set into motion. Unlikely friendships form, and unlikely heroes emerge. Winner of the 2018 Newbery Medal.



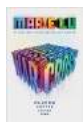
∞ Kelly, Lynne. **Song for a Whale**. Iris is her school's resident tech genius, but as the only deaf kid, she often feels left out and underestimated. When she hears about Blue 55, a whale who is unable to communicate with other whales, she becomes determined to find a way to connect with it.



∞ Klages, Ellen. **Out of Left Field**. It's 1957 and everyone in the neighborhood knows Katy is the best pitcher around. With her hair hidden in a baseball cap, she aces a little-league tryout, but when she's revealed as a girl, she's kicked off the team. She starts researching and learns that when the little league officials declared, "baseball has always been the sole province of male athletes," they were very wrong.



∞ Konigsburg, E.L. **From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler**. Claudia runs away from her annoying Connecticut life, taking her little brother with her. They secretly spend their days and nights in the Metropolitan Museum of Art—and get involved in a mystery that could change the face of art history. Haven't read this classic? Do so now!



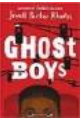
∞ Lu, Marie. **Warcross**. In a futuristic New York City, a teen hacker named Emika gets involved with a virtual reality game that changes her life and leads to adventure, danger, and romance. Exciting, somewhat violent and on the more mature side.



∞ McAnulty, Stacy. **The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl**. If you've been looking for a great story that has lots of math, this is it. Lucy was struck by lightning when she was eight. It damaged her brain, and she wound up with obsessive-compulsive disorder and genius-level math ability. Now, in seventh grade, she's in school for the first time since the accident. Friendship turns out to be harder than math.



∞ Medina, Meg. **Merci Suarez Changes Gears**. In this year's Newbery Medal winner, sixth-grader Merci struggles with fitting in as a scholarship student at a posh Florida private school, and balancing school and life at home with her extended Cuban-American family. Heartwarming and funny.



∞ Rhodes, Jewel Parker. **Ghost Boys**. In a story that recalls the real-life killing of Tamir Rice, 12-year-old Jerome is shot by a Chicago cop. His ghost meets up with the ghost of 14-year-old Emmet Till, who was lynched in 1955 and whose death fueled the Civil Rights Movement. The only person who can see the ghost boys is the daughter of the police officer who killed Jerome. Tackles the country's history of racism, and grapples with how to make the future better.



∞ Riazi, Karuna. **The Gauntlet**. Twelve-year-old Farah and two friends from her old neighborhood are sucked into a vintage mechanical board game called The Gauntlet of Blood and Sand—along with Farah's little brother Ahmed. They soon realize the only way to save themselves is to defeat the game's evil creator. Game on.



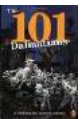
∞ Rodkey, Geoff. **We're Not from Here**. With Earth unlivable, Lan and family and 1,000 other humans board a spacecraft bound for the planet Choon—which has agreed to accept them as refugees. But after the 20-year trip (in bio-suspension, so they're the same age as when they left), Choon's government has changed, and humans are no longer welcome. Lan's mom manages to negotiate a trial run—they'll take one "reproductive unit" as a test. It's Lan's family. Serious issues, but it's funny!



∞ Saeed, Aisha. **Amal Unbound**. Amal lives in a small village in Pakistan where she loves school and dreams of being a teacher. But when her mother gives birth to her fifth child, Amal has to quit school to stay home and help. Then, when it seems things couldn't get worse, they do. She must leave her family and loses her very freedom. Inspired by the true stories of Malala Yousafzai and other brave girls.



∞ Sloan, Holly Goldberg and Meg Wolitzer. **To Night Owl from Dogfish**. Written entirely in letters and emails, this hilarious book brings together two 12-year-olds who couldn't be more different. Avery is a bookish worrier. Bett is an outgoing risk-taker. When Bett discovers that the girls' fathers have fallen in love and are plotting to send their daughters to a summer camp together so they'll bond, she digs up Avery's email address and breaks the news. Hijinx ensue!



∞ Smith, Dodie. **The 101 Dalmatians**. The classic British adventure story starring brave and noble dogs. Super-engaging and much more mature than the movie versions.



∞ Wolk, Lauren. **Beyond the Bright Sea**. Abandoned as an infant and rescued by a man named Osh, 12-year-old Crow knows nothing about her background—or even the world outside her island home. When she sees a mysterious fire across the water, it kindles curiosity in her, and sends her on a journey of discovery and danger.



∞ Woods, Brenda. **The Unsung Hero of Birdsong, USA**. In small-town South Carolina just after World War II, a 12-year-old white boy named Gabriel is riding his new bike, runs a red light and is pushed out of the path of an oncoming car by a black man named Meriwether Hunter. Through his connection with the man, a World War II veteran, Gabriel's eyes begin to open to the racism in his town. Wonderful story of an unusual friendship and a nuanced look at a slice of history.



∞ Woodson, Jacqueline. **Harbor Me**. Six fifth-graders are ordered to spend a period each week in a room where their only assignment is to talk and get to know each other—without adult supervision. Each kid is dealing with challenges, among them the loss of a parent, racial profiling, and the threat of deportation. Their initial hesitance to engage turns to heartwarming understanding and bonding.



Yang, Kelly. **Front Desk**. Ten-year-old Chinese immigrant Mia runs the front desk of a small California motel while her parents do the cleaning. Plucky Mia steps up to take on the dishonest motel owner, problems at school, racism aimed at motel guests she is fond of, and finally the potential loss of her family's livelihood. Light and fun but tackles important topics. Inspired by the author's experiences.



∞ Yelchin, Eugene. **Spy Runner**. It's 1954. You're a 12-year-old living in Arizona. You start to suspect that the man your mother rented a room to is actually a Soviet spy. What do you do? Action-packed thriller that captures the paranoia of the era, and makes you think about our political situation today. By the author of **Breaking Stalin's Nose**.

## And...try one of these Classics!

They're all available from the Saint Ann's Digital Library.

📖 **The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde** by Robert Louis Stevenson 📖

😊 **Jane Eyre** by Charlotte Brontë ♥ **Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass** by Frederick Douglass 📖

📖 **The Secret Garden** by Frances Hodgson Burnett 📖 **The War of the Worlds** by H.G. Wells 📖

📖 **The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes** by Arthur Conan Doyle 📖

📖 **Treasure Island** by Robert Louis Stevenson 📖 **Little Women** by Louisa May Alcott 📖

📖 **The Wonderful Wizard of Oz** by L. Frank Baum 📖

## Series

*Read an entire series this summer! Or, read two!*



∞ Colfer, Chris. **The Land of Stories**. A magical book given to them by their grandmother sends siblings on journeys into the fairy tale realm. Clever and populated with three-dimensional characters, even if they are imaginary! **The Series:** *The Wishing Spell, The Enchantress Returns, A Grimm Warning, Beyond the Kingdoms, An Author's Odyssey, and Worlds Collide.*



∞ Dashner, James. **Maze Runner**. Thomas awakens in an elevator and remembers nothing except his own name. When the door opens, he finds himself with a bunch of other teenage boys in a huge maze guarded by monsters. A new boy arrives every month. None of them knows how they got there; nobody can figure a way out. Then a nearly comatose girl arrives bearing a clue. **Note:** Truly scary.

**The Series:** *The Maze Runner, The Scorch Trials, and The Death Cure.*



∞ Federle, Tim. **The Nate Trilogy**. The adventures of a theater-loving kid who is miserable in his hometown in Pennsylvania and sets out for New York City to try out for "E.T.: The Musical." Touching and witty. The series sees Nate grow up from middle school to high school. **The Series:** *Better Nate Than Ever; Five, Six, Seven, Nate!, and Nate Expectations.*



∞ Gibbs, Stuart. **Spy School**. When Ben is recruited to the CIA's top-secret Academy of Espionage, he's thrilled to have fulfilled his dream while still in middle school. Then, he learns they're planning to use him for bait. He is determined to save himself. Over-the-top funny! **The series:** *Spy School, Spy Camp, Evil Spy School, Spy Ski School, Spy School Secret Service, Spy School Goes South, and the very new Spy School British Invasion.*





∞ Gidwitz, Adam. **Unicorn Rescue Society**. In the first book, meet Elliot and Uchenna, two very different kids who come together to protect endangered magical creatures. Filled with adventure, danger, and jokes. **The Series:** *Creature of the Pines, The Basque Dragon, Sasquatch and the Muckleshoot, and The Chupacabras of the Rio Grande*.



∞ Grant, Michael. **Gone**. Everyone is gone. All the adults, that is. There is also no internet, no phone, and no way to figure out what's happening. Soon there's no food. Those left behind start to develop special powers and abilities—and they begin to take sides in order to survive. **Note:** On the more mature side. **The Series:** *Gone, Hunger, Lies, Plague, Fear, and Light*.



∞ Meloy, Maile. **The Apothecary**. Alchemy and magic meet the Cold War in this series set in the 1950s. Janie's parents are victims of the Hollywood blacklist, so the family leaves sunny California for bleak London. There, Janie meets a spy-obsessed son of an apothecary—and the game (saving the world) is afoot. **The Series:** *The Apothecary, The Apprentices, and The After-Room*.



∞ Meyer, Marissa. **The Lunar Chronicles**. Each book is a new take on a classic fairy tale, set in a future world where humans, cyborgs and androids live side-by-side. In the first, Cinder is a mechanic—and a cyborg—who is thrown together with Prince Kai when they become involved in an intergalactic battle. **Note:** On the mature side. **The Series:** *Cinder, Scarlet, Cress, Fairest, Winter, and Stars Above*.



∞ Reynolds, Jason. **Defenders Track Team Series**. Ghost wants to be the fastest sprinter on his track team, but it turns out it takes more than just speed to be part of a team. His is the first story in this series about a group of kids from different backgrounds who come together on an elite middle-school track team. Told in funny, compelling first-person narration. **The Series:** *Ghost, Patina, Sunny, and Lu*.



∞ Williams-Garcia, Rita. **Gaither Sisters Trilogy**. African-American sisters growing up in the turbulent 1970s. Set in Brooklyn (where they live with their dad), Oakland (home of their poet, Black Panther mother) and Alabama (where their great-grandma lives), the books make up a saga both hilarious and thought provoking. **The Series:** *One Crazy Summer, P.S. Be Eleven, and Gone Crazy in Alabama*.

## ∞ Read a Series Digitally ∞ Whenever You Want!



You probably know about the series listed below, but have you **read** all of them? You can now. The books in these great series are available for download from the Saint Ann's Digital Library:

**The Harry Potter Series** by J.K. Rowling • **His Dark Materials Trilogy** by Philip Pullman •  
**Percy Jackson Series** by Rick Riordan • **A Series of Unfortunate Events** by Lemony Snicket •  
**The Books of Ember Series** by Jeanne DuPrau • **Cherub Series** by Robert Muchamore (*first four volumes*) •  
**Artemis Fowl Series** by Eoin Colfer •  
**Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel** by Michael Scott •  
**The Fairy Tale Detectives** by Michael Buckley (*first three volumes*)

## Graphic Books



∞ Brooks, Molly. **Sanity & Tallulah**. Two best friends decide to engineer a three-headed kitten named Princess Sparkle, Destroyer of Worlds. If only her name hadn't turned out to be so accurate....



∞ Brosgol, Vera. **Be Prepared**. In this funny graphic memoir, Vera just wants to be average, but that's hard for a Russian girl in the suburbs. Going to summer camp—like all the other kids at school—seems like a good idea, but the only one her mom can afford is Russian camp. Outhouses and mean-girl camp drama meets Russian history!



Chmakova, Svetlana. **Crush**. From the author of **Awkward** and **Brave**, this third book in the Berrybrook Middle School series features Jorge, a big tough-seeming kid who finds he has a crush on a certain girl—and he can't believe it. Funny and empathetic.



∞ Craft, Jerry. **New Kid**. Jordan's main interest is drawing cartoons about his life, but instead of sending him to an art school like he wants, his parents send him to an upscale private school where he's one of the only kids of color. Upside: he now has more material to draw cartoons about.



∞ Gardner, Whitney. **Fake Blood**. Sixth-grader AJ knows the girl he likes is obsessed with vampires, so he decides to impress her by pretending to be one. Then he learns she's a vampire slayer in training. Fun, nuanced look at relationships and identity for middle schoolers.



∞ Hale, Nathan. **Apocalypse Taco**. Sid, Axl and Ivan dash out to get late-night snacks for the tech crew of the school play they're in. When they return, they find bizarre copies of themselves onstage. Turns out that at the taco place, they crossed into an alien dimension that is an almost exact replica of ours. Can they get back to their reality? Awesome, creepy weirdness from the author of the Hazardous Tales.



∞ Lewis, John and Andrew Aydin. **March: Books One, Two and Three**. Lewis, the civil rights pioneer, recounts his life's journey—from child of Alabama sharecroppers to congressional representative.



∞ Libenson, Teri. **Just Jaime**. It's the last day of seventh grade and Jaime feels like the kids in her popular-girl friend group are casting her aside. She turns to her best friend Maya for reassurance, but Maya seems annoyed. What's happening? From the author of ∞ **Positively Izzy** and ∞ **Invisible Emmie**.



Loux, Matthew. **The Time Museum, Volume 1**. Delia's uncle offers her a chance to compete for an internship at his museum. Yes, cool. But cooler: the museum exists outside of normal time, and the job involves time travel. **Sequel: The Time Museum, Volume 2**, released just this month. Delia travels to France in 1778 but gets stuck in a time loop. Can she return to her own time?



∞ Miller, Kayla. **Click**. Olive easily clicks with everyone in fifth grade--until kids start dividing up for a variety show at school, and she just doesn't. Can her quirky Aunt Molly help her solve the problem? **Sequel:** ∞ **Camp**



Ostertag, Molly Knox. **The Witch Boy**. In Asher's world, girls grow up to be witches and boys are raised to be shapeshifters. People who deviate are banished. But Asher, who's 13, is fascinated with witchcraft and hasn't begun to shapeshift. Can Asher be his true self? **Sequel: The Hidden Witch**



∞ Peirce Lincoln. **Max and the Midnights.** From the creator of the Big Nate books comes this hilarious new series opener—set in the Middle Ages. Max is a lowly troubadour's apprentice who dreams of being a knight. Goofy adventures combined with heart.



∞ Stevenson, Noelle. **Lumberjanes Series.** Five best friends spend summers at a camp for girls where they must vanquish monsters while they dodge their counselors. Girl-powery fun. (Multiple Volumes)



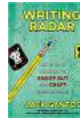
∞ Wang, Jen. **The Prince and the Dressmaker.** Prince Sebastian has a secret—he loves to wear dresses. He meets up with a young seamstress named Frances whose dream is to be a famous designer, and begins to appear in public in her designs as the fabulous Lady Crystallia. Fresh fairy tale of love and friendship.

## Nonfiction

### *From Serious to Fun*



∞ Beals, Melba Patillo. **March Forward, Girl.** Beals was one of the Little Rock Nine, the group of nine students who famously integrated Arkansas's Little Rock High School in 1957. Here she tells the story of her life leading up to that moment and what inspired her to become a fighter for justice.



∞ Gantos, Jack. **Writing Radar: Using Your Journal to Snoop Out and Craft Great Stories.** A fun guide to writing fiction using your everyday experiences as a jumping-off point, from a Newbery-winning author who did exactly that.



Newman, Aline Alexander and Gary Weitzman, DVM. **How to Speak Cat: A Guide to Decoding Cat Language.** A writer and a vet explore the history of domestic cats, and explain what your feline friends are trying to tell you when do things like purr, swish their tails, or launch themselves into the air like crazed lunatics.



∞ Noah, Trevor. **It's Trevor Noah: Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood.** The Daily Show host's shocking yet hilarious tale of growing up under the legal system of racial segregation known as apartheid. In South Africa when he was a kid, he was literally against the law—because he had a black mother and white father. Even so, Noah's mother raised him to believe there were no barriers to achieving his dreams. (young readers' version)



St. George, Judith. **The Duel: The Parallel Lives of Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr.** Hamilton and Burr led shockingly similar lives—until their famous duel in which one would live and the other die. If you're a Hamilton fan, you know who's who! A quick and fascinating read.



Stiefel, Chana. **Animal Zombies and Other Bloodsucking Beasts, Creepy Creatures, and Real-Life Monsters.** Cannibal crickets? Vampire bats? Learn about the bizarre animal life out there! Lots of screech-inducing photos.



∞ Sundance, Kyra. **101 Dog Tricks, Kids Edition: Fun and Easy Activities, Games and Crafts.** Make a duct tape treat bag, build a doggy balance beam, and teach your pup to play peek-a-boo. Summertime is the right time!





∞ Tack, Karen and Alan Richardson. **Hello, Cupcake: Irresistibly Playful Creations Anyone Can Make.** Impress (and feed) your friends with Van Gogh's Starry Night cupcakes, kids-in-sleeping-bag cupcakes, or cupcakes that look like spaghetti and meatballs but taste like...cupcake. Yum!



Telgemeier, Raina. **Share Your Smile: Raina's Guide to Telling Your Own Story.** The author of *Smile* and *Sisters*, describes how she creates her memoir-graphic novels, and gives you instructions about how to do the same thing based on your own personal stories.



Yellowhorn, Eldon and Kathy Lowinger. **Turtle Island: The Story of North America's First People.** There's a Native American myth that says North and Central America were built on a turtle's back. This compelling book, based on myths, archeological evidence, and oral history tells the often-overlooked history of Native people beginning thousands of years before Europeans arrived, and ending with modern times. Tragic, hopeful, and fascinating.



∞ Yousafzai, Malala. **I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World.** Autobiography of the Pakistani girl who, under Taliban rule, spoke out and was shot in the head as punishment. Learn about her miraculous survival and her continuing work for human rights. Read this along with ∞ **Amal Unbound** by Aisha Saeed (in the fiction section of this list).

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**Logging In:** Students need a library card number and PIN to check out books. **Parents**, you'll receive these in the email from [library@saintannsnny.org](mailto:library@saintannsnny.org) that contains the digital version of this list. (If you've received this information before, it has not changed.)

**FYI:** Your library card number is simply your student ID number with an "S" in front. For example, if your student ID number is 18840, your library card number is S18840. Your PIN is your first and last initials, lower case, followed by the same ID number. So, if your name is Eleanor Roosevelt and your library card number is **S18840**, your PIN is **er18840**.

*Now, go read some books!*

### Other things to keep in mind:

- Select the *Read in Your Browser* option if you want to just read the title on your computer instead of downloading it to a device.
- For more information click "help" when you access the digital library.

**Current and past reading lists can be found online at:**

<http://saintannsnny.org/divisions-and-offices/library/high-school-library/reading-list/>

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