

C.S.H. English Department's Suggested Reading List for Grades 7 and 8

Action/Adventure:

Alexander, Lloyd	<i>The Golden Dream of Carlo Chuchio</i>
Anderson, John David	<i>Standard Hero Behavior</i>
Jinks, Catherine	<i>Evil Genius</i>
Mowll, Joshua	<i>Operation Red Jericho</i>
Oppel, Kenneth	<i>Airborn</i>
	<i>Skybreaker</i>
Thal, Lilli	<i>Mimus</i>

Classics:

Alcott, Louisa May	<i>Little Men</i>
	<i>Little Women</i>
Bagnold, Enid	<i>National Velvet</i>
Bradbury, Ray	<i>The Martian Chronicles</i>
Burroughs, Edgar Rice	<i>Tarzan of the Apes</i>
London, Jack	<i>Call of the Wild</i>
Stevenson, Robert Louis	<i>Treasure Island</i>
Tolkein, J.R.	any title
Twain, Mark	<i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i>
	<i>The Prince and the Pauper</i>
Verne, Jules	<i>Around the World in Eighty Days</i>

Books for teen girls:

Bauer, Joan	<i>Thwonk</i>
	<i>Forever</i>
Blume, Judy	<i>Just as Long as We're Together</i>
Brashares, Ann	The Sisterhood trilogy
Cabot, Meg	any title
Goldschmidt, Judy	<i>The Secret Blog of Raisin Rodriguez</i>
Mosier, Elizabeth	<i>My Life as a Girl</i>
Rennison, Louise	The Georgia Nickelson books
Wittinger, Ellen	<i>What's in a Name</i>
Zevin, Gabrielle	<i>Elsewhere</i>

Fantasy/Science Fiction:

Adams, Richard	<i>Watership Down</i>
	<i>Redwall</i>
Bode, N.E.	<i>The Slippery Map</i>
Buckingham, Royce	<i>Demonkeeper</i>
Eoin Colfer	The Artimes Fowl series
Jacques, Brian	<i>Mossflower</i>

Landy, Derek	<i>Skulduggery Pleasant</i>
Lubar, David	<i>Wizards of the Game</i>
Paolini, Christopher	The Inheritance series
Pullman, Philip	<i>The Golden Compass</i> series
Richards, Justin	<i>The Chaos Code</i>
Riordan, Rick	<i>The Lightning Thief</i> (Book 1 of the Percy Jackson and the Olympians Series)
Stroud, Jonathan	<i>The Amulet of Samarkand</i> (Bartimaeus Trilogy Book1)
Weis, Margaret and Tracy Hickman	The Dragonlance series
Wooding, Chris	<i>Poison</i>
	<i>Storm Thief</i>

Historical Fiction:

Anderson, Laurie Halse	<i>Fever 1793</i>
Avi	<i>Crispin</i>
Blackwood, Gary	<i>Shakespeare Stealer</i> (Book 1 of trilogy)
Cushman, Karen	<i>Catherine Called Birdy</i>
Gratz, Alan	<i>Samurai Shortstop</i> (Historical Fiction)
Lester, Julius	<i>To Be a Slave</i>
Rinaldi, Ann	any title
Yolen, Jane	<i>The Gift of Sarah Barker</i>
Weaver, Will	<i>Full Service</i>

Mystery/Suspense/Horror:

Arnold, Ted	<i>Rat Life</i>
Christie, Agatha	any title
Cooney, Caroline B.	any title
Doyle, Arthur Conan	any title
Duncan, Lois	any title
Goldman, E.M.	<i>Getting Lincoln's Goat</i>
Feinstein, John	<i>Vanishing Act</i> (tennis)
Pike, Christopher	any title
Raskin, Ellen	<i>The Westing Game</i>
Stine, R. L.	<i>The Babysitter</i>

Poetic Fiction:

Fleischman, Paul	<i>Joyful Noise</i>
Hesse, Karen	any title
Sones, Sonya	any title
Wolff, V.	<i>Make Lemonade</i>

Realistic Fiction:

Avi	any title
Blume, Judy	
Cooney, Caroline	any title
Cormier, Robert	<i>The Chocolate War</i>
Creech, Sharon	<i>Absolutely Normal Chaos</i>
Crutcher, Chris	any title
Crew, Linda	any title Any title by Sharon Draper
Curtis, Christopher Paul	<i>Bucking the Sarge</i>
Eion, Colfer	<i>Benny and Omar</i>
Enger, Leif	<i>Peace Like a River</i>
Fleischman, Paul	any title
Going, K.L.	<i>Fat Kid Rules the World</i>
Haissen, Carl	<i>Hoot</i>
Halpin, Brendan	<i>How Ya Like Me Now</i>
Hautman, Pete	<i>Godless</i>
Hentoff, Nat	<i>The Day they Came to Arrest the Book</i>
Hesser, Terry Spencer	<i>Kissing Doorknobs</i>
Higgins, F.E.	<i>The Black Book of Secrets</i>
Hinton, S.E.	any title
Homan, Felice	<i>Slake's Limbo</i>
Kerr, M. E.	any title
Koja, Kathe	<i>Buddha Boy</i>
Lipstyte, Robert	<i>One Fat Summer</i>
Lubar, David	<i>Dunk</i>
	<i>Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie</i>
MacLachlan, Patricia	<i>Baby</i>
Myers, Walter Dean	any title
Naylor, Phillis Reynolds	<i>Shiloh</i>
Park, Linda Sue	any title
Patterson, Katherine	<i>The Bridge to Teribithia</i>
	<i>The Great Gilly Hopkins</i>
Paulsen, Gary	<i>Canyons</i>
	<i>Dogsong</i>
	<i>Tracker</i>
Peck, Richard	<i>Are You in the House Alone?</i>
Reinhardt, Dana	<i>A Brief Chapter in My Impossible Life</i>
Richter, Conrad	<i>A Light in the Forest</i>
Rosoff, Meg	<i>How I Live Now</i>
Sachar, Louis	<i>Holes</i>
	<i>Small Steps</i>
Schmidt, Gary D.	<i>The Wednesday Wars</i>
Smelcer, John	<i>The Trap</i>
Spinelli, Jerry	<i>Crash</i>
	<i>Stargirl</i>
Soto, Gary	<i>Baseball in April</i> (short stories)

Staples, Suzanne Fisher	any title
Thesman, Jean	<i>The Rain Catchers</i>
Udall, Eleanor	<i>Montmorency: Thief, Liar, Gentleman?</i> (Book 1 of Montmorency Series)
Voight, Cynthia	any title
Weeks, Sarah	<i>So B. It</i>
Woodson, Jacqueline	<i>Hush</i>
Zindel, Paul	any title

Sports:

Corbert, Robert	<i>Fifteen Love</i>
Dygard, Thomas	any title
Kinsella, W. P.	<i>Shoeless Joe</i>
Lipsyte, Robert	<i>Warrior Angel Heat</i> by Mike Lupica
Lupica, Mike	<i>Heat</i>
	<i>Travel Team</i>
Myers, Walter Dean	<i>Hoops</i>
	<i>Slam</i>
Weaver, Will	<i>Hardball</i>
Zusak, Markus	<i>Fighting Ruben Wolfe</i>