Summer 2019 Reading List Middle School

Welcome to Ursuline Summer Reading, a chance to explore new authors and genres as well as continue to build your reading skills. Below are the titles of required books for your 2019-2020 English class as well as other titles of works that have been endorsed by students.

You are also required to read the novel listed below, under your specific grade level. It is strongly suggested that you read the required book in actual book form so that you may annotate to your heart's desire. (For this reason, an electronic or library book is not optimal because you will need to write in the book, have it in class, and refer to it in discussions.) Here are a few suggestions for annotating as you read your required book:

Underline key passages that you find interesting or important Mark lines that help you understand the characters and plot

Use sticky notes or marginal notes to mark observations, questions, and connections.

Additionally, you must select and highlight at least 3 quotations that are interesting or thought-provoking and be prepared to discuss these quotations in class.

English 6	English 7	English 8
Raymie Nightingale, Kate DiCamillo	Frogkisser, Garth Nix	Piecing Me Together, Renee Watson

Recommended Additional Reading for Middle School

Choose a book (or two or three!) from this list if you want to keep on reading. Though it is not required, you are encouraged to read for pleasure.

And Then There Were None, Agatha Christie

Anne of Green Gables, L.M. Montgomery

Big Mouth and Ugly Girl, Joyce Carol Oates

Deenie, Judy Blume

Garden of Angels, Lurlene McDaniels

Hero, S.L. Rottman

Island of the Blue Dolphins, Scott O'Dell

Little Women, Louisa May Alcott

Lockdown, Walter Dean Myers

Millicent Min, Girl Genius, Lisa Yee

Mind's Eye, Paul Fleischman

October Sky, Homer H. Hickam, Jr.

Peter and the Starcatcher (series), Rick Elice

Radiance, Alyson Noel

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry, M. Taylor

Running Out of Time, Margaret Peterson Haddix

Shadow Spinner, Susan Fletcher

Silent to the Bone, E.L. Konigsburg

The Devil's Arithmetic, Jane Yolen

The Face on the Milk Carton, Caroline Cooney

The Five People You Meet in Heaven, Mitch Albom

The Girls Get Even, Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

The Lemonade War, Jacqueline Davies

The Messenger, Lois Lowry

The Pigman, Paul Zindel

Ties That Bind, Ties That Break, Lensey Namioka

Watership Down, Richard Adams

Whispers from the Dead, Joan Lowery Nixon

Year of Impossible Goodbyes, Sook Nyoi Cho