



RMS DIGITAL SUMMER READING EXTRAVAGANZA 2020

To continue our goal of excellence in learning for all students, all rising 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students at Ramblewood Middle School are **encouraged** to read fiction or non-fiction chapter novels of their choosing this summer. Because of the restrictions placed on us by the Covid-19 pandemic, the program is not mandatory, but encouraged.

Where can you find books to read? Please click on the links on the website for free online digital books. Broward County's public libraries are offering a free summer reading program virtually. In addition, there is a list of SUGGESTED novels on the rest of this letter. Also, feel free to check out <https://www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra.html> for a list of suggested Sunshine State reader novels.

A Note to Parents: We invite parents to read young adult literature along with their children. Sharing books challenges students to read carefully and empathetically and helps families to build strong emotional connections. There is a list of higher order thinking questions on our website to make sure your child understands what he/she is reading.

If you have any questions, please contact Debra Mandel – debra.mandel@browardschools.com.

Be well.
Thank you.

Debra Mandel

Literacy Coach @ Ramblewood Middle School

Reading should not be presented to children as a chore, a duty. It should be offered as a gift. —Kate DiCamillo

Incoming 6th graders

Historical Fiction

Fever, 1793, Anderson
The Boy Who Dared, Bartoletti
Out of the Dust, Hesse
Thunder Rolling on the Mountains, O'Dell
Yellow Star, Roy (Holocaust content)
The Wednesday Wars, Schmidt
The Invention of Hugo Cabret, Selznick
Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry, Taylor
Devil's Arithmetic, Yolen (Holocaust content)

Contemporary Fiction

Tangerine, Bloor
Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants, Brashares
Bloomability, Creech
The View from Saturday, Konigsburg
The Year of the Dog, Lin
Heat, Lupica
The Boy from the Basement, Shaw
Maniac Magee, Spinelli
So B. It, Weeks
Stanford Wong Flunks Big Time, Yee

Science Fiction/Fantasy

Artemis Fowl, Colfer
City of Ember, Duprau
Running Out of Time, Haddix
Hoot, Hiaasen
Stormbreaker, Horowitz
Eragon, Paolini
Among the Hidden Peterson-Haddix
The Lightning Thief (any in series), Riordan

Mystery

The Wright 3, Balliett
The Potato Chip Puzzles, Berlin
Tunnels, Gordon and Williams
The Mysterious Benedict Society, Stewart

Classics

Around the World in 80 Days, Jules Vern
Black Beauty, Anna Sewell
Mary Poppins by P.L. Travers
White Fang, Jack London

Incoming 7th graders

Historical Fiction

Before We Were Free, Alvarez
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle, Avi
Code Talker, Bruchac
Al Capone Does My Shirts (any in series), Choldenko
The Best Dog in Vietnam, Kadohata
Goodnight, Mr. Tom, Magorian

Contemporary Fiction

The Contender, Lipsyte
A Mango-Shaped Space, Mass
Touching Spirit Bear, Mikaelson
Monsoon Summer, Perkins
Life As we knew It, Pfeffer
The Schwa was Here, Schusterman
Girls, Drums, and Dangerous Pie, Sonnenblick
Stargirl, Spinelli

Multicultural Fiction

City of the Beasts, Allende
Bindi Babes, Dhami
The Conch Bearer, Divakaruni

Classics

Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman, Ernest Gaines
The Black Pearl, Scott O'Dell
Alice in Wonderland, Lewis Carroll
The Time Machine, HG Wells

Non-Fiction

10,000 Days of Thunder: A History of the Vietnam War, Caputo
Gifted Hands: The Ben Carson Story, Carson and Murphey
Having Our Say: The Delany Sisters' First 100 Years, Delany
Cheaper by the Dozen, Gilbreth
Farewell to Manzanar, Houston
The Hiding Place, Ten Boom
Chinese Cinderella, Yen Mah

Science Fiction/Fantasy

Fantastic Voyage, Asimov
The Compound, Bodeen
The Illustrated Man, Bradbury
Ender's Game, Card
The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm, Farmer
House of the Scorpions, Farmer

Mystery

And Then There Were None, Christie
Last Shot, Feinstein
The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn, Hoobler

Incoming 8th graders

Historical Fiction

The Astonishing Life of Octavian Nothing, Anderson
Bull Run, Fleischman
Go Set a Watchman, Lee
March – Book One and Book Two, Lewis, Aydin, Powell (Graphic Novel)
Harlem Summer, Myers
Fifth of March, Rinaldi
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn, Smith
Let the Circle Be Unbroken, Taylor
The Book Thief, Zusak

Contemporary Fiction

Hope Was Here, Bauer
Ironman, Crutcher
Night Hoops, Deuker
Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie, Lubar
A Dog's Purpose, Cameron
Peak, Smith
Face on the Milk Carton, Cooney

Science Fiction/Fantasy

Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy, Adams Fahrenheit
Sophie's World, Gaarder
The Graveyard Book, Gaiman
Silent Boy, Lowry
The Golden Compass, Pullman
Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children, Riggs
The Age of Miracles, Walker

Classics

The Chosen, Potok
Adventures of Huck Finn, Mark Twain
The Count of Monte Cristo, Alexandre Dumas
Dracula, Bram Stoker

Non-Fiction

A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier, Beah
Shakespeare, Bryson
The Ghost Map, Johnson
The Perfect Storm, Junger
Into Thin Air, Krakauer
Lies My Teacher Told Me, Loewen
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, Skloot

Mystery

A Northern Light, Donnelly
A Thief of Time, Hillerman