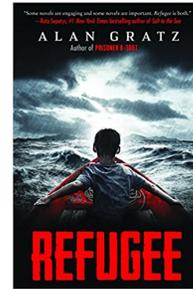


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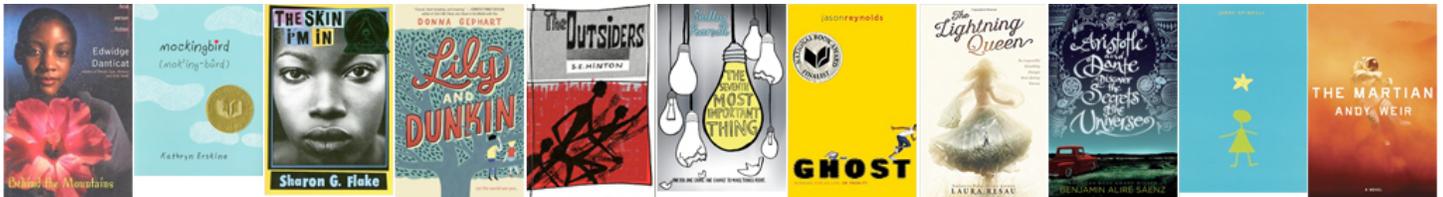
Required Reading

History: *Refugee* by Alan Gratz*



English Read any one book from the following English choice list AND any one book from the recommended reading list below:

- *Behind the Mountains* by Edwidge Danticat
- *Mockingbird* by Kathryn Erskine*
- *The Skin I'm In* by Sharon Flake*
- *Lily and Dunkin* by Donna Gephart*
- *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton*
- *The Seventh Most Important Thing* by Shelley Pearsall*
- *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds+*
- *The Lightning Queen* by Laura Resau
- *Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe* by Benjamin Alire Sáenz*
- *Stargirl* by Jerry Spinelli+*
- *The Martian* by Andy Weir*



Students should consider reading beyond the requirements this summer to discover more books they enjoy.

Recommended Reading

Realistic fiction

One Man Guy by Michael Barikava*

Alek is really bummed when his parents force him into attending summer school, but things start to look up when he meets Ethan, and they begin to explore New York City together.

See You at Harry's by Jo Knowles*

Fern feels invisible in her family, where she has three siblings and a busy family restaurant. But that all changes when tragedy strikes and their fragile family ties are tested.

The Stars Beneath Our Feet by David Barclay Moore*

Lolly is still reeling from his brother's death when he is given two giant bags of Legos and starts to build a huge, fantastical city in a closet at community center in his Harlem neighborhood.

Pax by Sara Pennypacker*

Peter sets out to rescue his fox, Pax, whom he was forced to abandon when his father enlisted. Both Peter and Pax are in grave danger and must accept help from strangers in this war-torn land.

Endangered by Eliot Schrefer+

Sophie is living with her mother who runs a bonobo sanctuary in the Congo when a violent coup breaks out and Sophie must flee into the jungle to try to keep one of the apes alive.

Fantasy and supernatural

Seraphina by Rachel Hartman+*

Seraphina joins the castle as a musician but hides a dangerous secret—she is half human, half dragon, in a kingdom where tensions are high and there is barely peace between the two races.

+The plus sign indicates that the book is the first in a series or has a sequel.

*Starred titles are available for checkout online from Maret as e-books or audiobooks through OverDrive. More info here: goo.gl/MBvbuV (password: frogs)

Sabriel by Garth Nix+*

Sabriel has always lived outside the Old Kingdom, away from the dead who refuse to stay dead. But now her father, the Abhorson, is missing, and Sabriel must cross into that world to find him.

Monstrumologist by Richard Yancey+*

Will Henry works for a scientist dedicated to the study of monsters, but nothing prepares him for what happens when a grave robber comes knocking late one night.

Science fiction

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy by Douglas Adams+*

Seconds before Earth is destroyed to make room for a galactic freeway, a young man is rescued by an alien friend who whisks him away on a hilarious, space-traveling adventure.

Ship Breaker by Paolo Bacigalupi+

In a future version on America's Gulf Coast, Nailer scavenges old ships to make ends meet until one day after a hurricane he spots a beautiful crashed ship and gets caught up in the adventure of his life.

The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm by Nancy Farmer

In 2194 Zimbabwe, General Matsika's three children are kidnapped and put to work in a plastic mine, while three mutant detectives use their special powers to search for them.

The Interrogation of Ashala Wolf by Ambelin Kwaymullina+*

Following an environmental apocalypse known as the Reckoning, the government in this futuristic version of Australia fears and detains "Illegals" like Ashala who have developed superhuman abilities.

Rot & Ruin by Jonathan Maberry+*

When Benny Imura is forced to find a job, he grudgingly decides to apprentice as a zombie hunter with his boring older brother Tom, but ends up exploring what it means to be human.

Historical fiction

It All Comes Down to This by Karen English*

Sophie navigates drama with her family and friends during the summer of 1965, when her African-American family moves into an upper-class white neighborhood in Los Angeles.

Kira-Kira by Cynthia Kadohata*

Two Japanese-American sisters growing up in rural Georgia during the late 1950s and early 1960s learn that there is always something glittering—kira-kira—in the future after one becomes ill.

Jump into the Sky by Shelley Pearsall*

Levi gets on a train in Chicago in 1945 to find his father, ending up first in the South and finally Oregon where he learns that his dad is a member of the all-black 555th paratrooper battalion.

You Bring the Distant Near by Mitali Perkins*

From 1965 through the present, five girls across three generations of an Indian-American family adjust to life in New York City, alternately fending off and welcoming challenges to their own traditions.

Between Shades of Gray by Ruta Sepetys*

Lina, and her mother and brother, are pulled from their Lithuanian home by Soviet guards in 1941 and sent to Siberia, where her father is sentenced to death in a prison camp while she fights for her life.

Nonfiction

Titanic: Voices from the Disaster by Deborah Hopkinson*

This book chronicles the events leading up to, during, and after the Titanic disaster, including accounts from crew members and people traveling in first, second, and third class.

March: Book 1 by John Lewis+*

A graphic novel that recounts the life of civil-rights leader Rep. John Lewis, focusing on his youth in rural Alabama, meeting with Martin Luther King Jr., and the birth of the Nashville Student Movement.