The titles on this list are ones which are popular with students of this age. These books vary in terms of topic and interest as well as in difficulty level. Some of the books provide easy reading for most students, some are best read with your child so that you can help with unknown words, and others are more difficult for most children and will need to be read aloud. Take your cues from your child and provide the support needed for the reading of books on this list—or any other books read this summer. Don’t overlook the benefits of reading aloud to your child as you share new books this summer.

**FICTION**

**Adventure**

Alexander, Lloyd—The Book of Three or any title by this author

Avi—The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle or any title by this author

Creech, Sharon—The Wanderer or any title by this author

Hahn, Mary Downing—The Old Willis Place: A Ghost Story or any title by this author

Horowitz, Anthony—Stormbreaker or other books in this series

Naylor, Phyllis—Shiloh or other books in this series

Paulsen, Gary—Hatchet or any title by this author

**Fantasy**

Funke, Cornelia—Inkheart

Jacques, Brian—Redwall or other books in this series

Nimmo, Jenny—Midnight for Charlie Bone or other books in this series

Paolini, Christopher—Eragon

**Historical Fiction**

Curtis, Christopher P.—Bud, Not Buddy or any title by this author

O’Dell, Scott—Island of the Blue Dolphins or any title by this author

Uchida, Yoshiko—Journey to Topaz or any title by this author

Whelan, Gloria—The Homeless Bird or any title by this author

Woodruff, Elvira—The Orphan of Ellis Island or any title by this author

**Humor**

Korman, Gordon—No More Dead Dogs or any title by this author

Kurzweil, Alan—Leon and the Spitting Image

Park, Barbara—Skinnybones

Peck, Richard—Fair Weather: A Novel or any title by this author

**Mystery**

Balliett, Blue—Chasing Vermeer or any title by this author

Broach, Elise—Shakespeare’s Secret

Ibbotson, Eva—The Star of Kazan

Korman, Gordon—Chasing the Falcons [On the Run Series]

Roberts, Willo D.—What Could Go Wrong? or any title by this author

Van Draanen, W.—Sammy Keyes and the Hotel Thief or other books in this series

**Science Fiction**

Anderson, M.T.—Whales on Stilts

Christopher, John—The White Mountains or other books in this series

Duprau, Jeanne—The City of Ember or other books in this series

Haddix, Margaret—Among the Hidden or other books in this series

**NON—FICTION**

Coerr, Eleanor—Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes

Kehret, Peg—Small Steps: the Year I Got Polio

Krull, Kathleen—Lives of the Musicians: Good Times, Bad Times, [and what the neighbors thought] or other books in this series

Macauley, David—The New Way Things Work

Rinaldi, Ann—Hang a Thousand Trees with Ribbons: The Story of Phyllis Wheatley

Stanley, Diane—Leonardo DaVinci or any title by this author

Janeczko, Paul—Seeing the Blue Between

**Realistic Fiction**

Hiassen, Carl—Hoot

Park, Linda Sue—Project Mulberry

Paterson, Katherine—Bridge to Terabithia or any title by this author

Ryan, Pam Nunez—Becoming Naomi Leon