



Required Summer Reading for Seventh Grade

Students entering seventh grade are required to read **Pharaoh’s Daughter** by Julius Lester, and at least TWO additional books from the list.

Fiction	Non-Fiction
<p>Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls – The classic coming-of-age story of Billy and his precious coonhound pups who romp relentlessly through the Ozarks, trying to "tree" the elusive raccoon. A great tale of true grit, determination, hard work and the idea that all things are possible if you set yourself to the task.</p>	<p>If Stones Could Speak: Unlocking the Secrets of Stonehenge by Marc Aronson – Texts, photographs, maps, and illustrations document archaeologist Mike Parker Pearson’s study of Stonehenge and the surrounding areas, describing what he found and what the artifacts reveal about the site and its history.</p>
<p>The Chocolate War by Robert Cormier – Does Jerry Renault dare to disturb the universe? You wouldn't think that his refusal to sell chocolates during his school's fundraiser would create such a stir, but it does; it's as if the whole school comes apart at the seams. To some, Jerry is a hero, but to others, he becomes a scapegoat--a target for their pent-up hatred. And Jerry? He's just trying to stand up for what he believes.</p>	<p>Wheels of Change by Sue Macy – Take a lively look at women's history from aboard a bicycle, which granted females the freedom of mobility and helped empower women's liberation. Through vintage photographs, advertisements, cartoons, and songs, Wheels of Change transports young readers to bygone eras to see how women used the bicycle to improve their lives.</p>
<p>The Last Unicorn by Peter S. Beagle – A fantasy classic that begins as a unicorn overhears two hunters riding through her wood, debating whether unicorns exist anymore. The unicorn, wondering if indeed she is the last of her kind, goes in search of others. She is caught sleeping by Mommy Fortuna, owner of the Midnight Carnival, who displays the unicorn for a time alongside a motley bunch of meek, hopeless animals for the entertainment of travelers, tourists, and townsfolk.</p>	<p>Courage Has No Color by Tanya Lee Stone – World War II is raging, and thousands of American soldiers are fighting overseas against the injustices brought on by Hitler. Back on the home front, discrimination against African Americans plays out as much on Main Street as in the military. Tanya Lee Stone examines the little-known history of the Triple Nickles, America’s first black paratroopers, who fought in an attack on the American West by the Japanese.</p>
<p>Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson – Set in the eighteenth century, Treasure Island is a tale of piracy, a mysterious treasure map, and a host of sinister characters charged with diabolical intentions. Seen through the eyes of Jim Hawkins, the cabin boy of the Hispaniola, the action-packed adventure tells of a perilous sea journey across the Spanish Main, a mutiny led by the infamous Long John Silver, and a lethal scramble for buried treasure on an exotic isle.</p>	

Khan Academy Practice Suggestion

During the summer it is important to practice reading, writing, and math to strengthen your fluency, vocabulary skills and comprehension. To support your math capabilities, we recommend the **Khan Academy lessons for sixth grade**. This will reinforce the work completed during the 2018-2019 year and prevent the typical summer regression. This is a suggested practice activity, not a required summer assignment. You can set up a free account at www.khanacademy.org.



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Summer Reading Log for Seventh Grade

All incoming seventh-grade students are required to read *The Pharaoh's Daughter* and at least two additional books. Record the books you've read in this chart.

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