

SUMMER READING LIST 2020
PACIFIC GROVE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Pacific Grove Middle School, with the help of our school librarian, Jodi Bitter, has created a summer reading list for all incoming and current PGMS students. The list is organized by genre not by grade level. Please note the Parent Recommendation genre on page four AND the Reading Assignment pages at the end of this list.

*Each student will read at least **two** books from the list this summer from any genre or from any author on the list. The Reading Assignment pages will be collected in English classes during the first week of school.*

We will use this summer reading experience to begin our fall Language Arts studies.

2020 NEW TITLES/AUTHORS ARE IN BOLD PRINT

(A Suggestion: Read 20 minutes each day!)

Other books written by the authors on this list are acceptable.

The Classics (other works by authors listed below may also be read)

Alcott, Louisa	Little Women
Cooper, James Fenimore	The Last of the Mohicans
Doyle, Sir Arthur	The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes
Farley, Steven/Walter	The Black Stallion (series)
Forbes, Esther	Johnny Tremain
London, Jack	Call of the Wild
Montgomery, L. M.	Anne of Green Gables (series)
Saint-Exupery, Antoine de	The Little Prince
Sewell, Anna	Black Beauty
Sperry, Armstrong	Call It Courage
Stevenson, Robert L.	Kidnapped
Verne, Jules	20,000 Leagues under the Sea
Wells, H.G.	The Time Machine
White, T.H.	The Once and Future King
Wyss, Johann David	The Swiss Family Robinson

Fantasy/Science Fiction (other works by authors listed below may also be read)

Angleberger, Tom	Fuzzy
August, John	Arlo Finch (series)
Chokshi, Roshani	Aru Shah and the End of Time; Pandava (series)
DasGupta, Sayantani	Kiranmala & the Kingdom Beyond (series)
Dashner, James	Maze Runner (series); Mortality Doctrine (series)
Donnelly, Jennifer	Waterfire Saga (series)
Emmerson, Kevin	Chronicles of the Dark Star (series)
Flanagan, John	Ranger's Apprentice (series)
Haddix, Margaret Peterson	Found (series); Children of Exile (series)
Kaufman, Amie	Elementals (series)
Kincaid, S.J.	Insignia (series)
Lee, Yoon Ha	Dragon Pearl
LeGuin, Ursula	A Wizard of Earthsea (series)
Lerangis, Peter	Seven Wonders (series)
McMann, Lisa	The Unwanteds (series); Going Wild (series)
Messenger, Shannon	Keeper of the Lost Cities (series)
Meyer, Marissa	The Lunar Chronicles (series)

Fantasy/Science Fiction (cont.)

Mull, Brandon	The Candy Shop War (series); Fablehaven (series)
Nielsen, Jennifer	The Ascendance Trilogy (series); Traitor's Game
Pierce, Tamora	The Circle of Magic
Prineas, Sarah	Magic Thief (series)
Riordan, Rick	Percy Jackson and the Olympians (series)
Roanhouse, Rebecca	Race to the Sun
Rowling, J.K.	Harry Potter (series)
Sage, Angie	Septimus Heap (series)
Sanderson, Brandon	Alcatraz versus the Evil Librarians (series)
Savage, Scott	Mysteries of Cove (series)
Scott, Michael	Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel (series)
Sutherland, Tui	Wings of Fire (series)
Valente, Catherynne M.	Fairyland (series)
Westerfield, Scott	Leviathan; Behemoth; Goliath
Wrede, Patricia	Enchanted Forest Chronicles (series)

Historical Fiction (other works by authors listed below may also be read)

Barrett, Tracy	Anna of Byzantium
Bradley, Kimberley Brubaker	The War that Saved my Life
Bruchac, Joseph	Code Talkers; Sacajawea
Carbone, Elisa	Blood on the River: James Town 1607
Carlson, Drew	Attack of the Turtle
Choldendo, Gennifer	A Tale from Alcatraz (series)
Cooney, Caroline	Goddess of Yesterday
Curtis, Christopher Paul	The Watsons go to Birmingham
Davies, Stephen	Outlaw
Engle, Margarita	Silver People: Voices from the Panama Canal
Erdrich, Louise	The Birchbark House
Gatz, Alan	Refugee
Gidwitz, Adam	The Inquisitor's Tale
Gutman, Dan	Willie and Me
Hiranandani, Veera	The Night Diary
Kadohata, Cynthia	Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam, Kira-Kira
Levine, Kristin	The Lions of Little Rock
Lynch, Chris	Vietnam (series); World War II (series)
Morpurgo, Michael	War Horse
Myers, Walter Dean	Sunrise Over Fallujah
Nielsen, Jennifer	Mark of the Thief Trilogy (series)
Philbrick, Rodman	The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg
Platt, Randall	Incommunicado
Preus, Margi	Heart of a Samuria; Shadow on the Mountain
Ryan, Pam Munoz	Esperanza Rising; Echo
Sands, Kevin	Blackthorne Key (series)
Soto, Gary	Baseball in April
Speare, Elizabeth	The Witch of Blackbird Pond
Vanderpool, Clare	Moon Over Manifest
Wolk, Lauren	Wolf Hollow; Beyond the Bright Sea
Yeltchin, Eugene	Breaking Stalin's Nose
Zenzai, N.H.	Escape from Aleppo

Mystery (other works by authors listed below may also be read)

Baillet, Blue	Pieces and Players
Bauer, Joan	Close to Famous
Carter, Ally	Embassy Row (series)
Christie, Agatha	The Orient Express
Corbett, Sue	12 Again
Feinstein, John	Triple Threat (series)
Gibbs, Stuart	Moon Base Alpha: Space Case (series)
Green, Tim	Baseball Genius (series)
Hiaasen, Carl	Skink: No Surrender; Squirm
Hoobler, Dorothy	The Sword That Cut the Burning Grass
Lane, Andrew	Sherlock Holmes - The Legend Begins (series)
Margolis, Leslie	Maggie Brooklyn Mystery series
Pearson, Ridley	Lock and Key: The Initiation
Quinn, Spencer	Woof (Bowzer & Birdie series)
Raskin, Ellen	The Westing Game
Ruby, Laura	The Shadow Cipher, (York series)
Runholt, Susan	Rescuing Seneca Crane
Snicket, Lemony	All the Wrong Questions (series)
Springer, Nancy	The Case of the Missing Marques
Stead, Rebecca	When You Reach Me
Stevens, Robin	Wells and Wong Mystery (series)
Stroud, Jonathan	Lockwood & Co. (series)
Turnage, Sheila	Three Time Lucky (series)
Wilson, John	Death on the River

Contemporary Realistic Fiction (other works by authors listed below may also be read)

Alexander, Kwame	The Crossover (told in verse)
Avi	Nothing But the Truth
Blacker, Terence	Racing Manhattan
Buyea, Rob	Because of Mr. Terupt
Creech, Sharon	Walk Two Moons
Draper, Sharon M.	Out of my Mind; Blended
Frederick, Heather Vogel	Mother-Daughter Book Club (series)
Grabenstein, Chris	Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library (series)
Greenwald, Lisa	My Life in Pink & Green
Grisham, John	Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer (series)
Horowitz, Anthony	Alex Rider Adventure (series)
Korman, Gordon	Restart
Lupica, Mike	The Batboy; Million Dollar Throw; Heat; QB1
Martinez, Victor	Parrot in the Oven: Mi Vida
Mass, Wendy	Every Soul a Star
Medina, Meg	Merci Suarez Changes Gears
Myers, Walter Dean	Kick
Palacia, Raquel	Wonder
Reynolds, Jason	Track (series)
Sloan, Holly	I'll Be here; Counting by 7s
Smith, Roland	Tentacles; Storm Runners (series)
Spinelli, Jerry	Stargirl
Vance, Alexander	The Heartbreak Messenger

Nonfiction Selections

Aldrin, Buzz
Alexander, Kwame
Anderson, Tanya
Bolden, Tonya
Borden, Louise
Chambers, Veronica
Collins, Mary
Coloroso, Barbara
Finch, Jennie
Fleming, Candace
Goodall, Jane (with Phillip Berman)
Hamilton, Bethany
Hawking, Stephen
Herndon, Booton
Hillenbrand, Laura
Hoose, Phillip
Kamkwamba, William
Kean, Sam
Martin, Iain
Pearson, P. O'Connell
Redding, Anna Crowley
Saucier, CAP
Seiple, Samantha
Sheinkin, Steve
Smith, Grant
St. George, Judith
Stevenson, Bryan
Terzian, James & Kathryn Cramer
Vance, Ashlee
Yorkey, Mike
Yousafzai, Malala

Welcome to Mars
The Playbook: 52 Rules in this Game Called Life
Tillie Pierce: Teen Eyewitness Battle of Gettysburg
Facing Frederick: The Life of Frederick Douglass
His Name was Raoul Wallenberg
Celia Cruz, Queen of Salsa
Airborne: Photo-biography Wright Brothers
The Bully, the Bullied, and the Bystander
Throw Like a Girl
The Family Romanov
Reason for Hope
Soul Surfer
A Briefer History of Time
Redemption at Hacksaw Ridge
Seabiscuit: An American legend
The Boys Who Challenged Hitler
The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind
The Disappearing Spoon (Young Reader Ed)
In Harm's Way: JFK, WWII, & the Heroic Rescue of PT 109
Fly Girls
Google it: a History of Google
Explore the Cosmos Like Neil DeGrasse Tyson
Lincoln's Spymaster
Bomb
Big Fat Notebook: Everything You Need to Ace Computer Science
The Duel: Parallel Lives of Hamilton & Burr
Just Mercy: True Story of the Fight for Justice (Young Reader Ed)
Mighty Hard Road: The Story of Cesar Chavez
Elon Musk: Quest for Fantastic Future (Young Reader Ed)
The Right Steph: How Stephen Curry is Making All the Right Moves
I Am Malala (Young Reader Ed)

Parent Recommendation

Parents may recommend an especially memorable book from their own reading experience. This title can be in any literary genre. We hope that parents can create a special reading experience for their child with this shared reading recommendation.

Note: Please find the Reading Assignment pages attached or as the accompanying file 'Summer Reading wrksht2020'.

Name: _____
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Book 1 -Title: _____ Author: _____

Number of pages _____ would you recommend this book to a friend? _____



Rate the book! How many stars?
Summarize the story in one paragraph.

What do you think is the overall theme (lesson, moral) of the story?

What do you feel is the author's overall purposes for writing this story (to entertain, inform, express an opinion, persuade)?

Select your favorite quote (include page number) from the book you read. What does this quote mean to you?

Book 2- Title: _____ Author: _____

Number of pages _____ would you recommend this book to a friend? _____



Rate the book! How many stars?
Summarize the story in one paragraph.

If you read ten or more books this summer, you can enter a drawing to win a spectacularly, fun prize!
How many total books did you read over the summer?

Please list them by title and author:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
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Please attach an additional sheet if you read more than twelve books.
Also, please sign below to verify you read the above books.

Student Signature

Parent Signature