

LCS Summer Reading List for Students Entering Seventh Grade

Required Reading and Project	<u><i>The Book Thief</i></u> Markus Zusak	fiction	730	4	26	Write a five paragraph book review of the novel. Your introduction must include brief summary of the novel. Your three body paragraphs must center around three likes or dislikes you have about the novel. Your conclusion paragraph should be your overall recommendation. Would you recommend it? If so, to whom? Why? Please type essay and include a cover page.
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SUGGESTED Reading List

**STUDENTS MUST
CHOOSE 3 BOOKS FROM
BELOW**

Author	Title	Type of Book	Lexile	Reading Level	RC Points	Description
Hobbs	<u><i>Downriver</i></u>	action, adventure	760	6.5	13	15-year-old Jesse joins a group of troubled teenagers in an outdoor education program called Discovery Unlimited. When the group recklessly decides to stage its own whitewater rafting trip, Jesse learns more than she expected about her own abilities in dangerous circumstances.
Spinelli	<u><i>Milkweed</i></u>	fiction	510	5.2	13	Follows a young Jewish orphan in the Warsaw ghetto during World War II as he slowly understands the horrible reality that surrounds him and attempts to steal in order to help others survive.
George	<u><i>My Side of the Mountain</i></u>	fiction	810	6.7	8	The story of a boy who really wants to get away from it all. He leaves home to live in the mountains, where he learns to live off the land and gain a sense of independence and adventure before he finally reunites with his family.
Spinelli	<u><i>Stargirl</i></u>	fiction	590	6.1	11	The story of a strange and mysterious girl who, for the first time, attends Mica Area High School in Arizona.
Rawls	<u><i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i></u>	fiction	700	6.4	18	A young boy living in the Ozarks achieves his heart's desire when he becomes the owner of two redbone hounds and teaches them to be champion hunters.
Thoene	<u><i>Year of the Grizzly</i></u>	action, adventure	980	8.1	10	Mountain man Will Reed and his family are caught between Americans and Mexicans as they battle for the wealth of central California's cattle ranches.
Cleaver	<u><i>Where the Lilies Bloom</i></u>	fiction	920	5.5	11	Mary Call has promised her dying father to keep her brother and sisters together forever in the mountain, and never to take any help from strangers. She is determined to keep her word.
Avi	<u><i>Crispin: The Cross of Lead</i></u>	historical fiction	780	6.1	13	The story of a young boy in medieval England and the death of his mother.