

## LCS Summer Reading List for Students Entering Eighth Grade

<b>Required Reading and Project</b>	<u><i>The Old Man and the Sea</i></u> by Ernest Hemingway	realistic fiction, action, adventure	940	8.1	6	This story is a timeless tale of endurance, victory, defeat, and acceptance. Pick four passages from the novel which demonstrate Santiago encountering four of these qualities. Write the passage down and depict the scene. You may choose to do this with whatever medium you like. For example, you may make a scrapbook belonging to Santiago or you may choose a poster board to portray your passages. Be creative!!
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### SUGGESTED Reading List

Mrs. Fisher is offering a bonus to students who can pass tests on any of the following books in the fall.

Author	Title	Type of Book	Lexile	Reading Level	RC Points	Description
Zindel	<u><i>The Pigman</i></u>	realistic fiction, character/virtues	950	5.9	9	High school sophomores John and Loraine become friends with Mr. Pignati, the Pigman. As they spend more time with the lonely old man, the pair learns his secret, and must ultimately deal with his death.
Horvath	<u><i>The Vacation</i></u>	action, humorous fiction	1040	6.9	13	In this humorous adventure, Henry learns to appreciate his two unusual aunts, who have the unlikely names of Pigg and Magnolia when he travels across America with them while his parents are in Africa.
Yolen	<u><i>Briar Rose</i></u>	fiction, myth, history	820	7.1	13	This rewriting of the old German folktale, Sleeping Beauty, turns the tale into a story about the ramifications of the Holocaust.
Laubenstein	<u><i>Archaeology Smart Junior</i></u>	historical fiction	920	8.1	14	After Beauregard finds a bag of artifacts, the children decide to return them to their own time, with the help of Dr. Tempus Fugit's time machine. They're chased through time by Dastardly Looter and his dog, Sneakers.
Scholz	<u><i>The Football Rebels</i></u>	fiction, challenges	930	7.5	12	Unable to make the varsity football team at Midwestern University, freshman Clint Martin decides to buck the athletic organization by starting his own informal team made up of any students who want to play football.
O'Dell	<u><i>The Road to Damietta</i></u>	historical fiction	980	7.5	16	This is the story of a man who came to be known as St. Francis of Assisi, told through the eyes of the girl who loved him and hoped she would someday be his wife.
Bauer	<u><i>Squashed</i></u>	realistic fiction	930	7.8	11	As a sixteen-year-old pursues her two goals, growing the biggest pumpkin in Iowa, and losing twenty pounds herself, she strengthens her relationship with her father and meets a young man with interests similar to her own.
Koertge	<u><i>The Harmony Arms</i></u>	humorous fiction	680	7.1	11	Fifteen-year-old Gabriel is continually embarrassed by his teacher/writer father, but when he goes to live with him in Los Angeles in an apartment complex full of unusual characters, Gabriel gains new insights into himself and his father in this multiple-award-winning book.
Peretti	<u><i>Cooper Kids</i></u>	CHRISTIAN adventure series	730-860	5.5-6.4	7 to 10	This is an "Indiana Jones" style adventure story series that build sound values in kids while keeping them glued to their seats.

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