

Mountview Middle School Summer Reading 2009
Grade 8

In an effort to encourage students to read for enjoyment, as well as improve comprehension and vocabulary, all incoming eighth graders are expected to read either The Battle of Jericho by Sharon Draper or Yellow Star by Jennifer Roy, and **one** other book from the following list. Students should anticipate class discussions of the required titles and will be held accountable for their other reading through related assignments upon their return to school in September.

Students should come to class on the first day of school with a plot graph for each book read (two). Students will be given a copy of this plot graph format before the end of the school year, and it will be available on the Mountview website as well.

Required for all students, please choose one:

The Battle of Jericho (Sharon Draper) or *Yellow Star* by Jennifer Roy

Please choose two additional titles from the following list:

Historical Fiction:

<i>Bat 6</i>	Virginia Wolff
<i>Lizzy Bright and the Buckminster Boy</i>	Gary Schmidt
<i>The Wednesday Wars</i>	Gary Schmidt

Realistic/Contemporary Fiction:

<i>Hope Was Here</i>	Joan Bauer	<i>Seventeen Against the Dealer</i>	Cynthia Voigt
<i>Whirligig</i>	Paul Fleischman	<i>Monster</i>	Walter Dean Myers
<i>Scorpions</i>	Walter Dean Myers		
<i>Freak the Mighty</i>	Rodman Philbrick		
<i>Izzy Willy Nilly</i>	Cynthia Voigt		

Suspense:

<i>The Rag and Bone Shop</i>	Robert Cormier
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Sports Fiction:

<i>Night Hoops</i>	Carl Deuker
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Science Fiction:

<i>The Ear, The Eye and the Arm</i>	Nancy Farmer
<i>The Downsiders</i>	Neal Shusterman

Fantasy:

<i>Redwall</i>	Brian Jacques
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Non-Fiction:

<i>Hiroshima</i>	John Hersey
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