

6th Grade Summer Reading

Avi. *Something Upstairs*

Kenny discovers his new house is haunted by the spirit of a black slave.

Brittain, Bill. *The Wish Giver*

A strange man comes to the Coven Tree Church Social promising to grant wishes that come true in the most unexpected way.

Clements, Andrew. *A Week in the Woods*

The 5th grade's annual camping trip in the woods tests Mark's survival skills and his ability to relate to a teacher who seems out to get him.

Clements, Andrew *The Jacket*

An incident at school forces 6th grader Phil Morelli, a white boy, to become aware of racial discrimination and segregation, and to consider if he himself is prejudice.

Creech, Sharon. *Absolutely Normal Chaos*

13-year-old Mary Lou keeps a summer journal which chronicles her first experiences with romance, homesickness, and death.

Curtis, Christopher Paul. *Mr. Chickee's Funny Money*

Flint Future Detective Club members Steven Carter, his friend Russell, and Russell's dog Zoopy solve the mystery of a quadrillion-dollar bill with the image of James Brown on it .

DiCamillo, Kate. *Because of Winn-Dixie*

Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida, and all the good things that happen to her because of her big ugly dog Winn-Dixie.

DiTerlizzi, Tony. *Spidenvick Chronicles*

When the children go to stay at their great-aunt's worn out house, they discover a field guide to fairies and creatures and begin to have some unusual experiences.

Dowell, Frances O'Roark. *Where I'd like to Be*

A group of foster children build a home of their own.

Gantos, Jack. *Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key*

To the constant disappointment of his mother and his teachers, Joey has trouble paying attention or controlling his mood swings when his prescription medications wear off he starts getting worked up and acting weird.

Gutman, Dan. *The Homework Machine*

Four 5th grade students - a geek, a class clown, a teacher's pet, and a slacker - as well as their teacher and mothers, each relate events.

Haddix, Margaret Peterson. *Among the Hidden*

In a future where the Population Police enforce the law limiting a family to only two children, Luke has lived all his 12 years in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.

Konigsburg, E.L.. *From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*

Two suburban children run away from home and go to New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Levine, Gail Carson. *The Wish*

When granted her wish to be the most popular girl in school, Wilma forgets that she will graduate in three weeks and her popularity will vanish.

Martin, Ann. *The Doll People*

A family of porcelain dolls that has lived in the same house for one hundred years is taken aback when a new family of plastic dolls arrives and doesn't follow The Doll Code.

Park, Linda Sue. *A Single Shard*

Tree-ear, a 13-year-old orphan in medieval Korea, lives under a bridge in a potter's village, and longs to learn how to throw the delicate celadon ceramics himself

Spinelli, Jerry. *Stargirl*

In this story about the perils of popularity, the courage of nonconformity, and the thrill of first love, an eccentric student named Stargirl changes Mica High School forever .

Van Draanen, Wendelin. *Sammy Keyes and the Art of Deception*

Seventh-grade sleuth Sammy Keyes investigates mysterious happenings at a local art gallery.

Winerip, Michael. *Adam Canfield of the Slash*

While serving as co-editors of their school newspaper, Adam and Jennifer uncover fraud and corruption in their school and in the city's government.

Winthrop, Elizabeth. *The Castle in the Attic*

When William plays with the castle, the tiny silver knight comes alive in his hand.