

**Self-selected Summer Reading  
Suggested Titles and/or Book Lists  
Grades 6-8  
Summer 2020**

**Examples** of course appropriate reading suggestions are found in the charts below. For additional information about grade and course appropriate reading selections and Lexile levels (reading level based on text complexity), see the bottom of this support document.

<p><b><a href="#">South Carolina Book Awards</a></b> - click the awards tab for more!</p>	<p>Be sure to scroll down and check out the</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Activity Guides</b></li> <li>○ <b>Brochure</b></li> <li>○ <b>PowerPoint</b></li> <li>○ <b>Promotional Video</b></li> </ul> <p>in each of the linked sites listed below!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <a href="#">South Carolina Picture Book Award Nominees</a></li> <li>● <a href="#">Children’s Book Award Nominees and Materials</a></li> <li>● <a href="#">Junior Book Award Nominees</a></li> <li>● <a href="#">Young Adult Book Awards</a></li> </ul>
<p><b><a href="#">Parent Guide to Lexile (your child’s reading level)</a></b></p>	<p>Many books have a <b>Lexile</b> number. For information (for parents) about <u>Lexile levels</u>, please click <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>A Lexile text measure tells you how challenging a text is to comprehend. A Lexile reader measure describes your child’s reading ability. Your child receives a Lexile measure from a test at school or a state assessment. Choosing books in your child’s comprehension “sweet spot” (100L below to 50L above your child’s reported Lexile measure) provides an ideal level of challenge for independent reading. To see how your child’s reading ability compares to other students at the same grade level, visit <a href="#">this site</a> for more information.</p>
<p><b>More information and helpful links:</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Visit Lexington County Public Library for Ebooks, Audiobooks, Movies and TV, Music, and Magazines!</a></p> <p><a href="#">Countdown to Summer Reading</a></p> <p><a href="#">Downloadable Books for Kids</a> <a href="#">Downloadable Books for Teens</a> <a href="#">Audio Books for Kids</a></p> <p><a href="#">Lexington County Public Library Programs and Events Calendar</a></p> <p><a href="#">Richland County Library</a></p> <p><b>TEST Prep</b> - Visit the <i>Learning Express Library</i> for a comprehensive collection of <b>test-preparation tools, skill-</b></p>

building materials and other career and life skills resources by clicking [here](#).

### 6th and 7th Grade College Prep and Honors

For 6th and 7th grade Honors and College Prep students, we recommend selecting as many summer reading books of interest from any of the lists above! Read for enjoyment, growth, experience, for fun... the most important thing is that all students **READ!**

### 8th Grade College Prep and Honors

For 8th grade Honors and College Prep students, we encourage you to read as many books of interest from the award lists above. Additionally, the following titles are also for the consideration of students who enjoy reading classics among other genres. Lexile levels are for your information; these numbers indicate the reading level of each book. (For information about Lexile (reading) levels, see links provided above.)

Suggested Titles	Lexile (reading level)
<u>Probably Still Nick Swanson</u> by Virginia Euwer Wolff	780
<u>The Maze Runner</u> by James Dashner	770
<u>Wuthering Heights</u> by Emily Bronte	880
<u>Midsummer Night's Dream</u> by William Shakespeare	1350
<u>A Lesson before Dying</u> by Earnest Gaines	750
<u>Fantasy League</u> by Mike Lupica	930

Have a great summer!



Read definition, to look at carefully so as to understand the meaning of (something written, printed, etc.): to read a book; to read music. See more.Â to utter aloud or render in speech (something written, printed, etc.): reading a story to his children; The actor read his lines in a booming voice. to have such knowledge of (a language) as to be able to understand things written in it: to be able to read French. to apprehend the meaning of (signs, characters, etc.) otherwise than with the eyes, as by means of the fingers: to read Braille. Read may refer to: Reading, human cognitive process of decoding symbols in order to construct or derive meaning. Read (automobile), an American car manufactured from 1913 to 1915. Read (biology), an inferred sequence of base pairs of a DNA fragment. Read codes, a standard clinical terminology system used in General Practice in the United Kingdom. Read (computer), to retrieve data from a storage device. Read (magazine), a children's magazine. Read (surname), people with this surname. Read definition: When you read something such as a book or article , you look at and understand the words | Meaning, pronunciation, translations and examples.Â Word forms: plural, 3rd person singular present tense reads , present participle reading pronunciation note: The form read is pronounced (riEd ) when it is the present tense, and (red ) when it is the past tense and past participle. 1. verb. When you read something such as a book or article, you look at and understand the words that are written there. From Middle English reden, from Old English rċŷdan (âœto counsel, advise, consult; interpret, readâ€), from Proto-Germanic \*rÄ“danÄ... (âœadvise, counselâ€), from Proto-Indo-European \*Hrehâ,dÉ° - (âœto arrangeâ€). Cognate with Scots rede, red (âœto advise, counsel, decipher, readâ€), Saterland Frisian rÄ“ide (âœto advise, counselâ€), West Frisian riede (âœto advise, counselâ€), Dutch raden (âœto advise; guess, counsel, redeâ€), German raten (âœto advise; guessâ€), Danish rÄ“de (âœto adviseâ€), Swedish rÄ“da (âœto advise, counselâ€)