

## Suggested Reading for Students Entering Grade 6



### Fiction

*Darth Paper Strikes Back* by Tom Angleberger

*The Strange Case of Origami Yoda* by Tom Angleberger

*The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate

*The 100-Year-Old Secret* by Tracy Barret

*Summer Before Boys* by Nora Raleigh Baskin

*Almost Home* by Joan Bauer

*The Puzzling World of Winston Breen: The Potato Chip Puzzles* by Eric Berlin

*Doll Bones* by Holly Black

*Because of Mr. Terupt* by Rob Buyea

*Soccerland* by Beth Choal

*About Average* by Andrew Clements

*Powerless* by Matthew Cody

*Waiting for Normal* by Leslie Connon

*The Great Unexpected* by Sharon Creech

*The Trouble With Chickens* by Doreen Cronin

*The Mighty Miss Malone* by Christopher Paul Curtis

*The Magician's Elephant* by Kate DiCamillo

*Out Of My Mind* by Sharon Draper

*Mockingbird* by Katherine Erskine

*Better Nate Than Ever* by Tim Federle

*Princess Academy: Palace of Stone* by Shannon Hale

*Chomp* by Carl Hiaasen

*Dying to Meet You: 43 Old Cemetery Road* by Kate Klise

*Ungifted* by Gordon Korman

*Touch Blue* by Cynthia Lord

*Dog Days* by David Lubar

*11 Birthdays* by Wendy Mass

*13 Gifts* by Wendy Mass

*An Elephant in the Garden* by Michael Morpugo

*Black Radishes* by Susan Lynn Myer

*The False Prince* by Jennifer Nielsen  
*The Fantastic Secret of Owen Jester* by Barbara O'Conner  
*Wonder* by R.J. Palacio  
*Timmy Failure: Now Look What You've Done* by Stephan Pastis  
*I Funny* by James Patterson and Chris Grabenstein  
*Elle Ever* by Nancy Ruth Patterson  
*Secrets at Sea* by Richard Peck  
*Captain Nobody* (realistic fiction) by Dean Pitchford  
*Sarah's Ground* (historical fiction) by Ann Rinaldi  
*Glory Be* by Aista Scatterwood  
*Okay for Now* by Gary D. Schmidt  
*Wonderstruck* by Brian Selznick  
*Shooting Kabul* by N.H. Senzai  
*Guys Read: Thriller* by Jon Scieszka  
*When You Reach Me* by Rebecca Stead  
*The Emerald Atlas* by John Stephens  
*The Romeo and Juliet Code* (historical fiction) by Phoebe Stone  
*Drama* (graphic novel) by Raina Telgemeier  
*Dark Lord: The Early Years* by Jamie Thompson  
*Three Times Lucky* by Sheila Tumage  
*Pie* by Sarah Weeks  
*One Crazy Summer* by Rita Williams-Garcia  
*Each Kindness* by Jacqueline Woodson

### **Non-Fiction**

*Girls Think of Everything: Stories of Ingenious Inventions by Women* by Catherine Thimmesh and Melissa Sweet  
*Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an Amazing All-Brother Baseball Team* by Audrey Vernick  
*The Journey That Saved Curious George: The True Wartime Escape of Margaret and H. A. Rey* by Louise Borden  
*Amelia Lost* (biography) by Candace Fleming  
*Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass* by Russell Freedman  
*Freedom Walkers* by Russell Freedman  
*The Boston Tea Party* by Russell Freedman  
*Anne and Helen* by Deborah Hopkinson  
*Titanic: Voices From Disaster* by Deborah Hopkinson  
*Steve Jobs: Thinking Differently* by Patricia Lakin  
*The Polar Bear Scientists* by Peter Lourie  
*Dogs on Duty* by Dorothy Henshaw Patent  
*Buried Alive* by Elaine Scott

*Lincoln's Grave Robbers* by Steve Sheinkin  
*Seymour Simon's Extreme Oceans* by Seymour Simon

## You may also be interested in...

If you like **FANTASY** chapter books, you'll like:

*Iron Trial (Magisterium series)* by Holly Black  
*The Menagerie* by Tui T. Sutherland  
*Keeper of the Lost Cities* by Shannon Messenger  
*Unwanted* by Lisa McMann  
*Outlaws of Time: The Legend of Sam Miracle* by N.D. Wilson  
*The School for Good and Evil* by Soman Chainan  
*Wings of Fire* by Tui T. Sutherland  
*The Gauntlet* by Karuna Riazi  
*Impyrium* by Henry H. Neff  
*Inkworld* series by Cornelia Funke

If you like **MYSTERY and ADVENTURE**, you'll love:

*The Van Gogh Deception* by Deron Hicks  
*Alex Rider* by Anthony Horowitz  
*Hoot* by Carl Hiassen  
*Keeper of the Lost Cities* by Shannon Messenger  
*Ranger's Apprentice* by John A. Flanagan  
*Masterminds* by Gordon Korman  
*The Green Ember* by S.D. Smith  
*Edge of Extinction The Ark Plan* by Laura Martin

If you like your stories to be a little **CREEPY**, try:

*Ghost Knight* by Cornelia Funke  
*Coraline* by Neil Gaiman  
*100 Cupboards* by N.D. Wilson  
*Lockwood & Co The Screaming Staircase* by Jonathan Stroud  
*Nightmares!* by Jason Segel and Kirsten Miller  
*A Tale of Dark and Grimm* by Adam Gidwitz  
*Dead City* by James Ponti

If you like **HISTORICAL FICTION**, you'll love:

[The Wollstonecraft Detective Agency The Case of the Missing Moonstone](#) by  
Jordan Stratford  
[Refugee](#) by Alan Gratz  
[Mad Wolf's Daughter](#) by Diane Magras  
[Midnight Without a Moon](#) by Linda Williams Jackson  
[The Great Trouble: A Mystery of London, the Blue Death, and A Boy Called Eel](#) by  
Deborah Hopkinson  
[The Inquisitor's Tale: Or, The Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog](#) by Adam  
Gidwitz  
[The War That Saved My Life](#) by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

If you enjoy reading **REALISTIC** books, read:

[Okay for Now](#) by Gary D. Schmidt  
[Tangerine](#) by Edward Bloor  
[Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus](#) by Dusti Bowling  
[Booked](#) by Kwame Alexander  
[See You in the Cosmos](#) by Jack Cheng  
[Out of My Mind](#) by Sharon M. Draper  
[The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street](#) by Karina Yan Glaser  
[11 Birthdays](#) by Wendy Mass  
[Roller Girl](#) by Victoria Jamison (graphic novel)  
[Fish in a Tree](#) by Lynda Mullaly Hunt  
[All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook](#) by Leslie Connor

If you like **FUNNY** books, try:

[Vordak the Incomprehensible](#) by Vordak T. Incomprehensible  
[Big Nate Welcome to My World](#) by Lincoln Peirce  
[Strange Case of the Origami Yoda](#) by Tom Angleberger  
[A Whole Nother Story](#) by Cuthbert Soup  
[Middle School: The Worst Years of my Life](#) by James Patterson and Chris Tebbetts  
[The Croc Ate My Homework](#) by Stephan Pastis  
[Plants vs. Zombies](#) by Paul Tobin and Ron Chan  
[The Tapper Twins Go to War \(with each other\)](#) by Geoff Rodkey

# Happy Reading!