

Book List for Elementary Gifted Students

Genre	Book Title	Author
Adventure	My Side of the Mountain	J. C. George
Adventure	Pippi Longstocking	Astrin Lundgren
Adventure/Fantasy	Rowan of Rin Series	Emily Rodda
Adventure/Historical Fiction	Hatchet/Mr. Tucket Series	Gary Paulsen
Fantasy	Ella Enchanted	Gail Carson Levine
Fantasy	Catherine, Called Birdy	Karen Cushman
Fantasy	The Dark is Rising	Susan Cooper
Fantasy	Book of Three	Lloyd Alexander
Fantasy	Dragon Rider	Cornelia Funke
Fantasy	The Littles*	John Peterson
Fantasy	Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle*	Betty MacDonald
Fantasy	The Phantom Tollbooth	Norton Juster
Fantasy	The Lightning Thief	Rick Riordan
Fantasy	The Time Warp Trio Series*	John Scieszka
Fantasy	The Borrowers*	Mary Morton
Fantasy	Babe and others	Dick King-Smith
Fantasy	Matilda and others*	Roald Dahl
Fantasy/Mystery	Hank the Cowdog	John Erickson
Historical Fiction	Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	M. Taylor
Mystery	A-Z Mystery Series*	Ron Roy
Mystery	Chasing Vermeer	Blue Balliett
Mystery	Nate the Great*	Marjorie Sharmat
Mystery	Cam Jansen*	David Adler
Mystery	Westing Game	E. Raskin
Mystery	Encyclopedia Brown Series*	Donald Sobol
Realistic Fiction	Ramona Series*	Beverly Cleary
Realistic Fiction	The Secret Garden	F.H. Burnett
Realistic Fiction	Frindle*/Things Not Seen	Andrew Clements
Realistic Fiction	Twinkie Squad/Schooled	Gordon Korman
Realistic Fiction	Henry Reed series	Keith Robertson
Realistic Fiction	View from Saturday	E.L. Konigsburg
Realistic Fiction	The Moffats Series	Eleanor Estes
Realistic Fiction	The Great Brain	JD Fitzgerald
Science Fiction	A Wrinkle in Time and others	M. L'Engle

*indicates appropriate for lower elementary age gifted students

Websites with book lists:

American Library Association – Best Books for Young Adults <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/booklists/bbya>

Children's Literature Classics - <http://childliterature.net/childlit/index.html>

Hoagies' Gifted: Reading List http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/reading_lists.htm

Newbery Medal Winners, 1922 – Present

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/newberymedal/newberyhonors/newberymedal.cfm>

University of Connecticut suggested Booklists on the Web

<http://www.gifted.uconn.edu/SEMR/booklist%20index2.html>

www.goodreads.com

www.shelfari.com

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Allyn, Pam. What to Read When

Codell, Esme' How to Get Your Child to Love Reading

Baskin, Barbara, Books for the Gifted Child

Halsted, Judith Wynn. Some of my Best Friends are Books: Guiding Gifted Readers. Gifted Potential Press

Sheila_mulbry@roundrockisd.org

Silvey, Anita. 100 Best Books for Children

Oppenheim, Joanne, Choosing Books for Kids

Dreyer, Sharon, The Best of Bookfinder

Book List for Upper Elementary/Middle School Gifted Students

Genre	Title	Author
Adventure	Alex Rider series	Anthony Horowitz
Adventure	The Mysterious Benedict Society series	Trenton Lee Stewart
Adventure	Moby Dick	Herman Melville
Classics	Jane Eyre	Emily Bronte
Classics	Huck Finn*	Mark Twain
Classics	Count of Monte Cristo	Alexander Dumas
Classics	Good Earth*	Pearl S. Buck
Classics	Tom Sawyer	Mark Twain
Classics	A Tale of Two Cities	Charles Dickens
Classics	The Scarlet Letter	Nathaniel Hawthorne
Classics	The Vicar of Wakefield	Oliver Goldsmith
Classics	Animal Farm/1984*	George Orwell
Classics	Great Expectations	Charles Dickens
Classics	Shakespeare's plays	Shakespeare
Fantasy	Artemis Fowl (series)	Eoin Colfer
Fantasy	Eragon series	Christopher Paolini
Fantasy	Charlie Bone series	Jenny Nimmo
Fantasy	Inkheart series	Cornelia Funke
Fantasy	His Dark Materials series	Philip Pullman
Fantasy	The Keys to the Kingdom series	Garth Nix
Fantasy	Gone series	Michael Grant
Fantasy	Something Wicked This Way Comes	Ray Bradbury
Fantasy	Lord of the Rings series	J.R.R. Tolkien
Historical Fiction	Little Women series	Louisa May Alcott
Historical Fiction	To Kill a Mockingbird	Harper Lee
Historical Fiction	The Book Thief	Marcus Zusak
Historical Fiction	The Coffin Quilt and other books	Ann Rinaldi
Historical Fiction	Cry, The Beloved Country*	Alan Paton
Historical Fiction	A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*	Betty Smith
Historical Fiction	Wait Till Next Year	Doris Kearns Goodwin
Historical Fiction/Autobiography	Night*	Eli Weisel
Historical Fiction/Autobiography	I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*	Maya Angelou
Historical Fiction/Autobiography/Dairy	The Diary of Anne Frank*	Anne Frank
Mystery	Murder on the Orient Express and others	Agatha Christie
Mystery	Sherlock Holmes series Hound of the Baskervilles	Arthur Conan Doyle
Realistic Fiction	Holes Small Steps	Louis Sacher
Realistic Fiction/Autobiography	The Color of Water*	James McBride
Science Fiction	The Hunger Games series	Suzanne Collins
Science Fiction	Fahrenheit 541	Ray Bradbury
Science Fiction	Ender's Game and series*	Orson Scott Card
Science Fiction	I, Robot	Isaac Asimov
Science Fiction	The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy series	Douglas Adams