



Chattanooga
Public Library

Summer Reading Picks 2022

Grades 6 » 8

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Chattanooga Public Library is proud to present its 2022 List of recommended Summer Reading Picks. Chosen by local expert librarians, these titles are great reads and are highly regarded in the book community, receiving many awards, excellent reviews and popular appeal. We hope that the 2022 List will help your family pick the best books for your child, grades K-12. All of the books on the List are available at your local library. Your local librarian can suggest additional titles.

Reading in the summer helps build on the skills obtained during the school year so that learning continues into the next grade year. We need the support and encouragement of families to ensure that all of our children become excellent readers.

Happy Reading!

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Executive Director
Chattanooga Public Library

Fever, 1793

Laurie Halse Anderson

Classic, Historical Fiction - United States, Yellow Fever Epidemic, Survival, Family

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Race to the Bottom of the Earth

Rebecca E.F. Barone

Nonfiction, 20th and 21st Century Explorers, Antarctica, Biographies

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Fighting Words

Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Modern Fiction, Foster Homes, Abuse, Overcoming Challenges, Tennessee Author

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Efrén Divided

Ernesto Cisneros

Modern Fiction, Family, Deportation, Mexican Americans, Overcoming Challenges

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Goldilocks: Wanted Dead or Alive

Chris Colfer

Graphic Novel, Fairy Tales, Outlaws, Magic, Heroine, Land of Stories

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New Kid

Jerry Craft

Graphic Novel, School, Art, Racism, Humor, Friendship

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Witches of Brooklyn

Sophie Escabasse

Graphic Novel, Fantasy, Family, Paranormal, Pop Star, Friendship

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Starfish

Lisa Fipps

Modern Fiction, Verse Novel, Bullying, Body Image, Friendship, Family, Overcoming Challenges

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The Curse of the Mummy

Candace Fleming

Nonfiction, Egypt - 1922, Tutankhamen's Tomb, Discovery, Exploration

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My Side of the Mountain

Jean Craighead George

Classic, Survival, Adventure, United States - Catskill Mountains, Solitude

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Take Back the Block

Chrystal Giles

Modern Fiction, Community, Friendship, Family, Social Justice

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When Stars Are Scattered

Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed

Graphic Novel, Refugees - Somalia, Brothers, Survival, School

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Murder on the Baltimore Express

Suzanne Jurmain

Nonfiction, United States History - 1865, Abraham Lincoln, Assassination Plot

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Gordon Korman

Modern Fiction, School, Mystery, Prejudices, Vandalism, Paper Clip Project - Whitwell, TN

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Soul Lanterns

Shaw Kuzki

Historical Fiction - WWII, Japan, Hiroshima - Atomic Bombs, Secrets, Grief

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Luck of the Titanic

Stacey Lee

Historical Fiction - 1912, Acrobats, Family, Survival, Adventure

Y Lee

The Mysterious Disappearance of Aidan S.

David Levithan

Fantasy, Missing Person, Imaginary Places, Family, Mystery

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Show Me a Sign

Ann Clare LeZotte

Historical Fiction - 1800s, Deaf Community, United States - Massachusetts, Kidnapping, Prejudice

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Allergic

Megan Lloyd

Graphic Novel, Pets, Allergies, Humor, Family, Friendship

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On the Horizon

Lois Lowry

Nonfiction, Poetry, United States History - WWII, Attack on Pearl Harbor, Personal Narratives

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From the Desk of Zoe Washington

Janae Marks

Modern Fiction, Family, Baking, Prison, Friendship

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Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky

Kwame Mbalia

Fantasy, African Myths, African American Folk Tales, Magic, Adventure

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The Time of Green Magic

Hilary McKay

Fantasy, Imaginary Creatures, Magic, Family, Secrets

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The Magic Fish

Trung Le Nguyen

Graphic Novel, Vietnam, Fairy Tales, Identity, Family, Immigrants

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Dear Justice League

Michael Northrop

Graphic Novel, Superheroes, Adventure, Letters, Humor

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The Witch Boy

Molly Knox Ostertag

Graphic Novel, Fantasy, Paranormal, Identity, Friendship

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Pony

R.J. Palacio

Historical Fiction - 1800s, Ghosts, Adventure, Courage, Secrets, Family

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A Long Way from Chicago

Richard Peck

Classic, Historical Fiction, 1929-1942, Humor, Family, Country Life

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City Spies

James Ponti

Modern Fiction, Thriller, Hackers, Teamwork, Mystery

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The Westing Game

Ellen Raskin

Classic, Mystery, Puzzles, Wealth, Inheritance, Humor

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The Elephant's Girl

Celesta Rimington

Fantasy, Ghosts, Zoo, Friendship, Magic, Mystery

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How We Got to the Moon

John Rocco

Nonfiction, Project Apollo, Space Flight, Science, Astronauts

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Just Like That

Gary D. Schmidt

Historical Fiction - 1968, Grief, School, Mystery, Gangs

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All Thirteen

Christina Soontornvat

Nonfiction, Thailand - 2018, Cave Rescue, Soccer Team, Flooding

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Dead Wednesday

Jerry Spinelli

Science Fiction, Ghosts, Grief, School, Friendship

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Enola Holmes and the Black Barouche

Nancy Springer

Historical Fiction - 1889, Mystery, Hospital, England, Detective

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The List of Things That Will Not Change

Rebecca Stead

Modern Fiction, Family, Divorce, Remarriage, Acceptance

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The Mysterious Benedict Society

Trenton Lee Stewart

Science Fiction, School, Adventure, Teamwork, Puzzles

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Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry

Mildred Taylor

Classic, Historical Fiction, United States - Great Depression, African Americans, Racism, Family

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Wolfpack: How Young People Will Find Their Voice, Unite Their Pack, and Change the World

Abby Wambach

Nonfiction, Leadership, Tolerance, Community, Athletes

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The Enigma Game

Elizabeth Wein

Historical Fiction - WWII, Spies, Scotland, Mystery, Secrets

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Because this list includes books for a range of grades, please be aware that some titles may contain advanced content that might not be appropriate for everyone. If you need help making selections, ask your librarian for guidance.