

EASTERN CHRISTIAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

7th/8th Grade Summer Reading 2020

As your Reading teacher, it is important to help you become a lifelong reader. Therefore, you are encouraged to continue reading throughout the summer months. All seventh and eighth grade students are expected to read one book that you have not previously read. It can be either a fiction or non-fiction book. Also, the book that you choose must be within your reading level.

You will be selecting your book from an extensive Reading List which I have shared with you in google docs. The list is also available on the ECMS Nest website. Please make sure that the book is within your reading level. If you have any questions about that, please email me.

You need to finish reading the book before the first day of school, September 1st, because you will be completing work in both Reading Workshop and Writing Workshop about your book.

After you have finished reading your book, you are required to email me to let me know the title of the book that you have read. My email address is:

joycebreur@easternchristian.org

I hope that you enjoy your summer and will find a new book that you love!

Mrs. Breur ☺

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 to let me know the title of the
 book that you read **BEFORE THE
 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. YOU
 MUST CHOOSE A BOOK FROM
 THIS LIST THAT YOU HAVE NOT
 READ BEFORE, AND IT MUST BE
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SUMMER READING 2020

You are required to
 read either a fiction **OR**
 non-fiction book
 before the first day of
 school, September 1st.

NON-FICTION BOOKS

Author	Title	Lexile	AR	Genre	Notes
VanRiper, Guernsey	Babe Ruth: One of Baseball's Greatest	480	3.5	Biography	
Glasser, Linda	Bridge to America	510	3.3	Biography	
Wiese, Elie	Night	590	4.8	Memoir, Holocaust	
Wagoner, Jean Brown	Abigail Adams: Girl of Colonial Days	620	4.2	Biography	
Klare, Roger	Gregor Mendel: Father of Genetics	620	5.2	Biography	
Dunham, Montrew	Abner Doubleday: Boy Baseball Pioneer	640	4.0	Biography	
Donnelly, Shannon	Eleanor Roosevelt	640	4.1	Biography	
Egan, Terry	The Good Guys of Baseball: Seventeen True Sports Stories	690	4.7	Biography	
Marko, Eve	Clara Barton and the American Red Cross	n/a	4.7	Biography	
Houston, Dick	Bulu: African Wonder Dog	700	4.8	Biography, Dogs	
Goldenstern, Joyce	Albert Einstein: Physicist and Genius	n/a	4.9	Biography	
Parker, Marjorie Hodgson	Assault, the Crippled Champion: The King Ranch Racehorse	n/a	5.0	Biography, Horses	
Yan, Ma	The Diary of Ma Yan: The Struggles and Hopes of a Chinese School Girl	720	5.0	Biography	
Gratz, Alan	Prisoner B-3087	760	4.9	Biography	
Karwoski, Gail Langer	Quake: Disaster in San Francisco, 1906	770	4.3	True Story	
Alifirenka, Caitlin	I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives	790	5.6	Non-Fiction	
MacDonald, James	Dale Earnhardt, Jr.: Racing's Living Legend	n/a	5.1	Biography	
Kalman, Bobbie	Early City Life	n/a	5.2	History	
Gibson, William	The Miracle Worker	n/a	5.2	Biography	
Savage, Jeff	Deion Sanders: Star Athlete	n/a	5.2	Biography	
Savage, Jeff	Emmitt Smith: Star Running Back	n/a	5.2	Biography	
Ryn, Don Van, Newell, Cerak and Clark, Whitney	Mistaken Identity	820	5.7	True Story	
Yousafzai, Malala	I Am Malala - Young Reader's Edition	830	5.9	Biography	Young People's Version
Albom, Mitch	Tuesdays With Morrie: An Old Man, A Young Man, and Life's Greatest Lesson	830	5.5	Memoir	
Greenwood, Barbara	Factory Girl	850	5.2	Biography	
Davis, Sampson	We Beat the Street: How a Friendship Pact Led to Success	860	5.8	Non-Fiction	contains violence
Ten Boem, Corrie	The Hiding Place	900	6.4	Biography, Christian	
Coffey, Wayne	The Boys of Winter: The Untold Story of a Coach, a Dream, and the 1980 U.S. Olympic Hockey Team	n/a	n/a	True Story	
Burpo, Todd	Heaven is For Real	n/a	6.3	Memoir	
Idleman, Kyle	Not a Fan: Teen Edition: What Does It Mean to Really Follow Jesus?	n/a	n/a	Christian	
Olson, Tod	Lost in Outer Space: The Incredible Journey of Apollo 13	910	6.6	Non-Fiction	
Wasdin, Howard E. and Templin, Stephen	I Am A Seal Team Six Warrior	930	6.6	Memoir	AR gives a disclaimer that this text contains violence
Pollan, Michael	The Omnivore's Dilemma	930	6.8	Food, Nutrition	Young People's Version
DePrince, Michaela	Taking Flight: From War Orphan to Star Ballerina	940	6.3	Non-Fiction	
Bruchac, Joseph	Jim Thorpe, Original All-American	950	5.8	Biography	
Carson, Ben & Cecil Murphy	Gifted Hands: The Ben Carson Story	950	6.8	Biography	
Bethany Hamilton	Soul Surfer	960	6.0	Biography	
Mah, Adeline Yen	Chinese Cinderella	960	5.7	Autobiography	
Galvin, Pfetzer and Jack	Within Reach: My Everest Story	970	n/a	Biography	
Scieszka, Jon	Guys Read: True Stories	970	7.0	Non-Fiction	

Swanson, James L.	Chasing Lincoln's Killer	980	7.5	Biography	
Kamen, Gloria	Heading Out	n/a	7.0	Memoirs	
Parrado, Nando	Miracle in the Andes: 72 Days on the Mountain and My Long Trek Home	n/a	7.0	Survival	
St. John, Warren	Outcasts United: The Story of a Refugee Soccer Team That Changed a Town	980	6.7	Soccer	Young People's Version
Sheinkin, Steve	The Notorious Benedict Arnold	990	7.3	Biography	
Graves, Robert	Greek Gods and Heroes	990	n/a	Mythology	
Jacobs, Thomas A.	They Broke the Law, You Be the Judge: True Cases of Teen Crime	n/a	7.4	Law	
Denenberg, Dennis	50 American Heroes Every Kid Should Meet	n/a	7.4	Heroes	
Leyson, Leon	The Boy on the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible...on Schindler's List	1000	7.0	Non-Fiction	
Swanson, James L.	Bloody Times: The Funeral of Abraham Lincoln and the Manhunt for Jefferson Davis	1010	7.5	Biography	
Swanson, James	Manhunt: The 12-Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer	n/a	(approx. 7.5)	Biography	
Rubalcaba, Jill and Robertshaw, Peter	Every Bone Tells a Story: Hominin Discoveries, Deductions, and Debates	1010	7.6	History	
Hillenbrand, Laura	Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption	1010	7.7	Biography/ Christian	Unbroken: An Olympian's Journey from Airman to Castaway to Captive (Young Adult Adaptation - 850 / 6.4)
Weintraub, Robert	No Better Friend (Young Readers Edition)	1030	7.3	Non-Fiction	
Ross, Stewart	Moon: Science, History, and Mystery	1040	7.7	Space	
Farr, Richard	Emperors of the Ice: A True Story of Disaster and Survival in the Antarctic, 1910-13	1050	7.5	Biography	
Gunther, John	Death, Be Not Proud	1060	8.0	Biography	
Paulsen, Gary	The Beet Fields: A Sixteenth Summer	1070	5.5	Biography	
Helen Keller	The Story of My Life	1090	6.8	Biography	
Feiwei and Friends	Steve Jobs: The Man Who Thought Different	1110	8.2	Biography	
Stone, Tanya Lee	The Good, The Bad, and the Barbie	1120	7.5	History	
Shetterly, Margot Lee	Hidden Figures; Young Readers' Edition	1120	8.2	Non-Fiction	
Tougias, Michael J.	The Finest Hours: The True Story of a Heroic Sea Rescue	1140	7.5	Non-Fiction	
Weitzman, David	Skywalkers: Mohawk Ironworkers Build the City	1150	7.8	Engineering, Architecture	
Chaikin, Andrew	Mission Control: This Is Apollo: The Story of the First Voyages to the Moon	1150	8.0	Space	
Collier, Peter	Choosing Courage: Inspiring True Stories of What It Means to be a Hero	1150	8.0	Non-Fiction	
O'Reilly, Bill	Hitler's Last Days: The Death of the Nazi Regime and the World's Most Notorious Dictator	1160	8.1	History	
Murphy, Jim	Truce	1160	8.1	History	
Dash, Joan	We Shall Not Be Moved: The Women's Factory Strike of 1909	1170	8.1	History	
Swanson, James L.	The President Has Been Shot! The Assassination of John F. Kennedy	1080	8.0	History	
Bernal, Cassie	She Said Yes	1230	6.6	Biography	
Paulsen, Gary	Guts: The True Stories Behind Hatchet and the Brian Books	1230	6.5	Non-Fiction	
Bekoff, Marc	The Smile of a Dolphin	1250	n/a	Animal Behavior	
Douglass, Frederick	Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass	n/a	7.9	Biography	
Pettit, Jayne	Jane Goodall: Pioneer Researcher	1250	8.3	Biography	
Gold, Maya	Mother Teresa	1260	8.6	Biography	
Nelson, Pete	Left for Dead: A Young Man's Search for Justice for the USS Indianapolis	1260	n/w	Biography	
Shetterly, Margot Lee	Hidden Figures	1260	9.7	Non-Fiction	
Sandler, Martin W.	The Impossible Rescue	1270	8.2	Adventure	
Davis, Katie J. and Clark, Beth	Kisses from Katie: A Story of Relentless Love and Redemption	n/a	8.9	Biography	
Haskins, Jim	Black, Blue, and Gray: African Americans in the Civil War	1280	n/a	Civil War	
Davis, Kenneth C.	Don't Know Much About Geography	1290	n/a	Geography	

Tyson, Neil deGrasse	The Pluto Files	1300	n/a	Space	
Caparara, Giovanni	Living In Space	1310	n/a	Space	
Kennedy, John F.	Profiles in Courage	1410	11.4	Memoir	
Humphrey, Sandra Mcleod	They Stood Alone!: 25 Men and Women Who Made a Difference	n/a	n/a	Non-Fiction	
Thompson, Ben	Guts & Glory: The American Civil War	1570	9.3	History	
FICTION BOOKS					
Author	Title	Lexile	AR	Genre	Notes
Avi	Nothing But the Truth: a Documentary Novel	non-prose	3.6	Realistic Fiction	
Christie, Agatha	And Then There Were None	570	5.7	Mystery	
Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker	The War That Saved My Life	580	4.1	Historical Fiction	
Spinelli, Jerry	Stargirl	590	4.2	Realistic Fiction	
Shaara, Michael	The Killer Angels	610	4.7	Historical Fiction, Civil War	
Voigt, Cynthia	Homecoming	630	4.4	Realistic Fiction	
Kingsbury, Karen	The Chance	n/a	n/a	Christian	
Kingsbury, Karen	One Tuesday Morning	n/a	5.0	Christian	
Kingsbury, Karen	Beyond Tuesday Morning	n/a	4.4	Christian	
Kingsbury, Karen	Fifteen Minutes	n/a	4.8	Christian	
Kingsbury, Karen	Between Sundays	n/a	4.8	Christian	
Austin, Lynn	While We're Far Apart	n/a	n/a	Christian/ Historical Fiction	
Hill, Tammy	Knowing	n/a	n/a	Christian	
Cooney, Caroline	The Face on the Milk Carton	660	4.8	Realistic Fiction	
Farmer, Nancy	The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm (Newbery Honor)	660	4.7	Adventure/ Science Fiction	
Falkner, Brian	The Assault	n/a	5.3	Adventure	
Falkner, Brian	Task Force	n/a	5.6	Adventure	
Mikaelsen, Ben	Touching Spirit Bear	670	5.3	Realistic Fiction	
Ullman, James Ramsey	Banner in the Sky	680	5.1	Adventure	
Yancy, Rick	The 5th Wave (1st in series)	690	4.6	Science Fiction	
Yancy, Rick	The Infinite Sea (2nd in series)	640	4.7	Science Fiction	
Yancy, Rick	The Last Star (3rd in series)	n/a	n/a	Science Fiction	
Roth, Veronica	Divergent	700	4.8	Dystopian	
Roth, Veronica	Insurgent	710	5.0	Dystopian	
Roth, Veronica	Allegiant	830	5.7	Dystopian	
Rice, Luanne	The Secret Language of Sisters	720	4.3	Realistic Fiction	
Stockett, Kathryn	The Help	730	4.4	Historical Fiction	
Bartoletti, Susan Campbell	The Boy Who Dared	760	4.9	Historical Fiction	
Smith, Roland	Peak	760	4.9	Adventure	
Palacio, R.J.	Wonder	790	4.8	Realistic Fiction	
Kadohata, Cynthia	Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam	n/a	4.9	Historical Fiction	
Haddix, Margaret Peterson	Double Identity	8.1	5.0	Science Fiction	
Wolf, Joan	Someone Named Eva	820	5.1	Historical Fiction	
Roth, Veronica	Allegiant	830	5.7	Dystopian	
Blackwood, Gary	The Shakespeare Stealer	840	5.2	Historical Fiction	
Singer, Marilyn, et. al	Face Relations: 11 Stories About Seeing Beyond Color	840	5.3	Realistic Fiction	
Monir, Alexandra	Timeless	850	5.7	Fantasy	
Austin, Lynn	Wonderland Creek	n/a	n/a	Christian	
Tatlock, Ann	Every Secret Thing	n/a	n/a	Christian	
Peretti, Frank	This Present Darkness	900	6.1	Christian	
Bruner, Roger	Found in Translation: An Unforgettable Mission Trip Where Faith, Obedience, and Forgiveness Intersect	n/a	7.5	Christian	
Keyes, Daniel	Flowers for Algernon	910	5.8	Science Fiction	
Bruchac, Joseph	Geronimo	n/a	5.8	Historical Fiction	
Cassidy, Kay	The Cinderella Society	800	5.4	Realistic Fiction	
Paulsen, Gary	Canyons	930	5.5	Adventure	

Bruchac, Joseph	Code Talker	n/a	6.4	Historical Fiction, WWII	
Twain, Mark	Adventures of Tom Sawyer	970	8.1	Classic	
Montgomery, L.M.	Anne of Green Gables	970	7.3	Classic	
Matson, Morgan	Since You've Been Gone	970	7.3	Realistic Fiction	
Adams, Douglas	The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy	1000	6.6	Science Fiction	
Tolken, J.R.R.	The Hobbit	1000	6.6	Classic	
Paulsen, Gary	Hatchet	1020	5.7	Adventure	
Paulsen, Gary	Brian's Return	1030	5.5	Adventure	
Paulsen, Gary	Call Me Francis Tucket	1050	5.5	Adventure	
Paulsen, Gary	The Boy Who Owned the School	1070	5.5	Realistic Fiction	
Orwell, George	1984	1090	8.9	Dystopian	
North, Sterling	Rascal	1140	7.1	Animals	
Paulsen, Gary	Brian's Winter	1140	5.9	Adventure	
Paulsen, Gary	Brian's Hunt	1180	5.9	Adventure	
Wyss, Johann	The Swiss Family Robinson	1190	9.7	Classic	
Alcott, Louisa May	Jo's Boys	1210	8.8	Classic	
Alcott, Louisa May	Little Men	1260	8.1	Classic	
Alcott, Louisa May	Eight Cousins	1260	8.2	Classic	
Alcott, Louisa May	Little Women	1300	7.9	Classic	
Paulsen, Gary	Alida's Song	1460	5.3	Realistic Fiction	
SERIES (You may choose any 1 book from the following series)					
Author	Title	Lexile	AR	Genre	Notes
Riordan, Rick	Any Book	590-740	4.1-4.8	Fantasy	
Schow, Betsy	Storymakers Series	600-710	4.1-5.3	Fantasy	
Carlson, Melody	The Runway Series	720-760	4.6-5.0	Realistic Fiction	
Horowitz, Anthony	Alex Rider Series	610-740	4.8-5.4	Adventure	
Horowitz, Anthony	Gatekeeper Series	620-710	4.4-5.3	Adventure	
Pearson, Ridley	Kingdom Keepers Series	640-770	4.2-5.4	Adventure	
Meloy, Maile	The Apothecary Series	660-740	4.7-5.2	Science Fiction	
Cass, Kiera	The Selection Series	670-750	4.7-4.8	Dystopian	
Morris, Gerald	Squire's Tales Series	680-860	4.5-5.5	Adventure	
Cawthon, Scott	Five Nights at Freddy's Series	680-980	4.5-6.3	Science Fiction	
Bosch, Pseudonymous	The Secret Series	690-810	4.9-5.4	Mystery	
Kingsbury, Karen	Angels Walking Series	690-810	4.9-5.4	Christian Fiction	
Lore, Pittacus	I Am Number Four Series	700-750	4.4-5.3	Science Fiction	
Paolini, Christopher	Eragon Series	710-1050	5.6-7.8	Fantasy	
Grabenstein, Chris	Mr. Lemoncello's Library Series	720-780	4.5 - 5.4	Mystery	
Gunn, Robin Jones	Christy Miller Collection	730-790	4.7-5.5	Realistic Fiction	
Lupica, Mike	Any Book	730-960	4.7-6.3	Sports	
Hale, Shannon	Princess Academy Series	540-890	5.2-6.0	Mystery	
Jacques, Brian	Redwall Series	760-1010	5.0-6.3	Adventure	
Colfer, Chris	The Land of Stories Series	760-830	5.0-5.5	Fantasy	
Lewis, C.S.	The Chronicles of Narnia Series	790-970	5.4-5.8	Fantasy/Classic	
Grisham, John	Theodore Boone Series	790-830	5.4-5.8	Law/Realistic Fiction	
Birdsall, J.	The Penderwicks	800-940	4.7-5.6	Realistic Fiction	
Flanagan, John	Ranger's Apprentice Series	800-950	5.8-7.0	Adventure	
Littlewood, Kathryn	Bliss Novels	810-870	5.5-5.8	Fantasy	
Stewart, T.L.	The Mysterious Benedict Society	890-900	5.6-6.3	Adventure	
Law, Ingrid	Saavy	900-1070	5.6-6.0	Fantasy	
Walden, Mark	H.I.V.E.	920-1010	6.7-7.7	Adventure	
Snicket, Lemony	The Series of the Unfortunate Events	1000-1370	6.4-7.3	Family Saga	
Wick, Lori	Kensington Chronicles		6.5-7.9	Christian Romance	