



A Gift of Reading

Recommended Books for Middle School Readers
December 2011



Adventure/Mystery

Haines, Kathryn Miller. *The Girl Is Murder*
Harvey, Alyxandra. *Haunting Violet*
Lane, Andrew. *Death Cloud*
Selznick, Brian. *Wonderstruck*
Shaw, Susan. *Tunnel Vision*
Wildavsky, Rachel. *The Secret of ROVER*

Realistic Fiction

Deriso, Christine Hurley. *Then I Met My Sister*
Gourlay, Candy. *Tall Story*
Reinhardt, Dana. *The Summer I Learned to Fly*
Schmidt, Gary. *Okay for Now*
Whaley, John Corey. *Where Things Come Back*
Williams, Michael. *Now Is the Time for Running*

Humorous

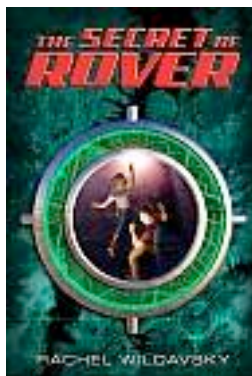
Detorie, Rick. *The Accidental Genius of Weasel High*
Erskine, Kathryn. *The Absolute Value of Mike*
Gantos, Jack. *Dead End in Norvelt*
Rennison, Louise. *Withering Tights*
Rylander, Chris. *The Fourth Stall*

Historical Fiction

Avi. *City of Orphans*
Blundell, Judy. *Strings Attached*
Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker. *Jefferson's Sons:
A Founding Father's Secret Children*
Hughes, Pat Raccio. *Five 4ths of July*
Pinkney, Andrea Davis. *Bird in a Box*
Whelan, Gloria. *Small Acts of Amazing Courage*

Graphic Novels

Broskol, Vera. *Anya's Ghost*
Gulledge, Laura Lee. *Page by Paige*
Phelan, Matt. *Around the World*
Tennapel, Doug. *Bad Island*
Tsang, Evonne. *I Love Him to Pieces*
Yolen, Jane. *The Last Dragon*



Fantasy

Billingsley, Franny. *Chime*
Dixon, Heather. *Entwined*
Gier, Kerstin. *Ruby Red*
Hunter, C.C. *Born at Midnight*
Neumeier, Rachel. *The Floating Islands*
Okorafor, Nnedi. *Akata Witch*

Horror/ Supernatural

Armstrong, Kelley. *The Gathering*
Bedford, Martyn. *Flip*
Blake, Kendare. *Anna Dressed in Blood*
Ford, Michael. *The Poisoned House*
Oppel, Kenneth. *This Dark Endeavour:*
The Apprenticeship of Victor Frankenstein
Van Allsburg, Chris. *The Chronicles of Harris Burdick:*
Fourteen Amazing Authors Tell the Tales

Science Fiction

Anderson, R.J. *Ultraviolet*
Kacvinsky, Katie. *Awaken*
Lancaster, Mike A. *Human.4*
Lewis, Jon S. *Invasion: A C.H.A.O.S. Novel*
Link, Kelly and G. Grant. *Steampunk! An Anthology*
of Fantastically Rich and Strange Stories
Young, Moira. *Blood Red Road*

Biographies & Non-Fiction

Kirkpatrick, Katherine. *Mysterious Bones: The Story of*
Kennewick Man
Macy, Sue. *Wheels of Change: How Women Rode*
the Bicycle to Freedom
Mayhew, Maggie. *How to Cook: Delicious Dishes*
Perfect for Teen Cooks
Ross, Stewart. *Into the Unknown: How Great Explorers*
Found Their Way by Land, Sea and Air
Rubin, Susan Goldman. *Wideness and Wonder:*
The Life and Art of Georgia O'Keeffe

Poetry

Frost, Helen. *Hidden*
Grimes, Nikki. *Planet Middle School*
McCall, Guadalupe Garcia. *Under the Mesquite*
Thompson, Holly. *Orchards*
Van Cleave, Ryan G. *Unlocked*
Wolf, Allan. *The Watch That Ends the Night:*
Voices from the Titanic

