Middle School
Summer Reading 2016
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GET IN THE GAME
READ

BACK IN THE DAY
Tommy: The Gun that Changed America
Blumenthal, Karen

The Boys in the Boat: Adapted for Young Readers
Brown, Daniel James

Remaking the John: The Invention and Reinvention of the Toilet
DiPiazza, Francesca

Nelson Mandela: South African Revolutionary
Gormley, Beatrice

Sneaker Century: A History of Athletic Shoes
Keyser, Amber

Hitler in Paris: How a Photograph Shocked a World at War
Nardo, Don

Gay and Lesbian History for Kids: The Century-Long Struggle for LGBT Rights
Pohlen, Jerome

The Bamboo Sword
Preus, Margi

America's Black Founders: Revolutionary Heroes and Early Leaders
Sanders, Nancy

Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War
Sheinkin, Steve

Babe Conquers the World: The Legendary Life of Babe Didrikson Zaharias
Wallace, Rich

Big Top Burning: The Story of an Arsonist, a Missing Girl, and the Greatest Show on Earth
Woollett, Laura

CREATE THE AWESOME

Printing & Other Amazing Techniques
Franklin, Carolyn

Football Party Recipes: Delicious Ideas for the Big Event
Jorgensen, Katrina

Blackbird Fly
Kelly, Erin Entrada

Brain Benders Series
Moore, Gareth

Shadowshaper
Older, Daniel Jose

Rhythm Ride: A Road Trip Through the Motown Sound
Pinkney, Andrea

Echo
Ryan, Pam Munoz

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MAGICAL MYSTERIES

Serafina and the Black Cloak
Beatty, Robert

Horton’s Miraculous Mechanisms: Magic, Mystery and a Very Strange Adventure
Evans, Lissa

The Sleeper and the Spindle
Gaiman, Neil

Mr. Lemoncello’s Library Olympics
Grabenstein, Chris

The Art of Secrets
Klise, James

The Nest
Oppel, Kenneth

The Lightning Queen
Resau, Laura

Hoodoo
Smith, Ronald L.

The Case of the Missing Moonstone
Stratford, Jordan

The Screaming Staircase
Stroud, Jonathan

SPORTS – IT’S YOUR TURN

Sasquatch in the Paint
Abdul-Jabbar, Kareem

Bad Machinery: The Case of the Team Spirit
Allison, John

Pick-up Game: A Full Day of Full Court
Aronson, Marc

Legends: The Best Players, Games, and Teams in Baseball
Bryant, Howard

Legends: The Best Players, Games, and Teams in Football
Bryant, Howard

Remember My Name: My Story from First Pitch to Game Changer
Davis, Mo’Ne

Side by Side Baseball Stars: Comparing Pro Baseball’s Greatest Players
Chandler, Matt

Side by Side Basketball Stars: Comparing Pro Basketball’s Greatest Players
Forest, Christopher

Side by Side Football Stars: Comparing Pro Football’s Greatest Players
Frederick, Shane

Side by Side Hockey Stars: Comparing Pro Hockey’s Greatest Players
Frederick, Shane

The Dumbest Idea Ever
Gownley, Jimmy

Game Changer
Haddix, Margaret Peterson

Fast Break
Lupica, Mike

Game Seven
Volponi, Paul
The titles selected for this recommended summer reading list were chosen specifically for those students in middle school. Titles included are just a sampling of the books you may enjoy reading during this summer. Many of the authors on this list have written more than one book. Check out some of these titles, too!