

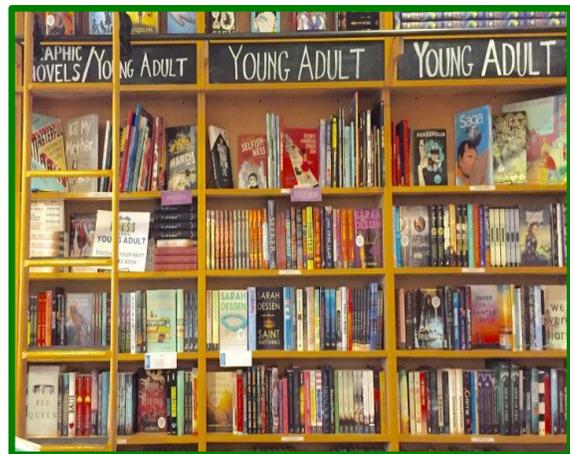
HSP Summer Reading

Students should, with parental insight, choose piece(s) of either fiction or nonfiction from the [Lexile](#) ranges of 500-1000, with 1000 being 10th grade level reading and 500 being 5th grade, to read for the summer. Most librarians are familiar with Lexile scores, so please ask your local librarian for help with this if you cannot seem to figure the scoring system out for your student.

Summer reading is mandatory. I will ask students what they have read over summer when they return to school in the fall, so I do expect reading to occur this summer (maps, blueprints, poems, instructional manuals, music, et cetera, are also forms of reading). **Students may take AR tests on books they read over the summer when they arrive at school in the Fall!**

My favorite (and age-appropriate) books:

The Chronicles of Narnia Series by C.S. Lewis
 The Lord of the Rings Series by J.R.R. Tolkien
Neverwhere by Neil Gaiman
 The Harry Potter Series by J.K. Rowling
My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George
Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
The Pearl by John Steinbeck
The Old Man and The Sea by Ernest Hemingway
A Wrinkle in Time by Madaleine L'Engle
Double Dutch by Sharon M. Draper
Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis
Maniac MaGee by Jerry Spinelli
Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt
 The Redwall Series by Brian Jacques
Fullmetal Alchemist by Hiromu Arakawa
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes by Eleanor Coerr
 (most books) by Roald Dahl
Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret by Judy Bloom
The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks



PARENTS

It is up to parents to choose what their children read. The Lexile scoring system is not run by Catholic priests (as far as I know), so please do not assume any book your student reads is automatically acceptable by the standards of Pope Francis. The system suggests a group of titles for students based on a measure of grade level comprehension. Make sure to scan summaries, to read some pages, and to check with your local librarian to discuss proper maturity levels. Seek religious counsel if you are still unsure.

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