REQUIRED SUMMER READING: All incoming sixth-grade students must read *Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Mullaly Hunt over the summer and then read two other books of their choosing from the list. Most of the books are available in paperback from local bookstores or libraries. If more than one edition is available, be sure to select the unabridged edition. If it becomes impossible to locate a particular book, make another choice from the list.

At the beginning of the school year, sixth-grade English classes will discuss student selections. Students’ reading will be assessed through a variety of exercises including written reports and special projects. Teachers will give students the report and project requirements when school begins. Record all additional books that you read.

We’ve worked to create lists that reflect a variety of styles, genres, and experiences—enjoy! If you’d like to learn more about these books, you can ask your English teacher or one of our librarians, look for descriptions on Amazon or Goodreads, or see what your friends might recommend. You can also find the books in our library catalog at this link: [https://tinyurl.com/usn-srl-6](https://tinyurl.com/usn-srl-6). Happy reading!

Alexander, *Booked* or *The Crossover*
Applegate, *Home of the Brave*
Boyne, *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*
Bradley, *The War That Saved My Life*
Bragg, *How They Croaked*
Bryant, *The Trial*
Chari, *Vanished*
Creech, *Absolutely Normal Chaos*
Crowe, *Mississippi Trial, 1955*
Dowd, *The London Eye Mystery*
Dowell, *Dovey Coe*
Draper, *Out of My Mind*
Flanagan, *The Ruins of Gorlan*
Freedman, *My Basmati Bat Mitzvah*
Frydenborg, *A Dog in the Cave: The Wolves Who Made Us Human*
Gidwitz, *The Inquisitor’s Tale*
Gino, *George*
Grabenstein, *Escape From Mr. Lemoncello’s Library*
Gratz, *Prisoner B-3087* or *Ban This Book*
Haddix, *Among the Hidden*
Harrington, *Catching a Storyfish*
Hesse, *Letters from Rifka* or *Out of the Dust*
Hiaasen, *Hoot*
Howard, *The Whispers*
Jacques, *Mossflower* (or others in the series)*
Johnson, *The Great Greene Heist*
Kadohata, *The Thing About Luck*
Kelly, *Hello, Universe*
Korman, *No More Dead Dogs*
Lai, *Listen, Slowly*
London, *White Fang* (often published with *The Call of the Wild*"
Lord, *Rules*
Lupica, *Hero*
Mass, *Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life*
Okorafor, *Akata Witch*
Park, *A Long Walk to Water*
Pennypacker, *Pax*
Pérez, *The First Rule of Punk*
Pullman, *The Golden Compass* (or others in the trilogy)*
Rawls, *Where the Red Fern Grows*
Reynolds & Kiely, *All American Boys*
Riordan, *The Lost Hero*
Selznick, *Wonderstruck*
Sheinkin, *The Port Chicago 50*
Stewart, *The Secret Keepers*
Sutcliff, *Outcast*
Tamaki, *This One Summer*
Tomecek, *What a Great Idea!: Inventions That Changed the World*
Twain, *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*
Valente, *The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland in a Ship of Her Own Making*
Vawter, *Paperboy*