Young Adult Books

The following list contains a selection of books to satisfy the wide variety of reading levels and interests of 7th and 8th grade readers. Many of these titles address the issues of adolescence and are for mature readers. Most of the authors listed have written other books at this level. The books on this list are in the department’s Young Adult (JY) collection unless otherwise indicated.

Adventure and Survival

Arnold, David  Mosquitoland.
Avi  The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle.
Bray, Libba  Going Bovine.
Coleman, K. R.  Off Course.
Devos, Kelly  Day Zero.
Fischer, Nancy  The Speed of Falling Objects.
Fountain, Ele  Refugee 87.
Golding, William  Lord of the Flies: A Novel.
Griffin, Paul  Skyjacked.
Higgins, Jack  Sure Fire.
Hobbs, Will  Take Me to the River.
Lu, Marie  Warcross.
McCaulghrean, Geraldine  Where the World Ends.
Neal, Elizabeth  Heat Wave.
Nijkamp, Marieke  This Is Where It Ends. TEEN
Perkins, Lynne Rae  As Easy As Falling off the Face of the Earth.
Schreber, Eliot  Endangered.
Sim, Tara  Scavenge the Stars.
Walters, Eric  Fourth Dimension.
White, Robb  Deathwatch.
Wynne-Jones, Tim  The Starlight Claim.

Biographies, Autobiographies, & Memoirs

Anderson, Laurie Halse  Shout: A Poetry Memoir. TEEN
Beals, Melba  Warriors Don't Cry: A Searing Memoir of the Battle to Integrate Little Rock's Central High. JY B B366
Burch, Jennings Michael  They Cage the Animals at Night. JY 362.732 B947
Codell, Esmé  Educating Esmé: Diary of a Teacher's First Year. 372.11 C669
Grimes, Nikki  Ordinary Hazards: A Memoir. JY B G862
Hamilton, Bethany  Soul Surfer: A True Story of Faith, Family, and Fighting to Get Back on the Board. JB H219
Hickam, Homer H.  Rocket Boys: A Memoir. B H627
Hofstetter, Steve  Ginger Kid: Mostly True Tales from a Former Nerd. JY B H713
Hutchinson, Shaun  Brave Face: A Memoir. See Catalog
Jennings, Jazz  Being Jazz: My Life as a (Transgender) Teen. JY B J54
Lee, Sungju  Every Falling Star: How I Survived and Escaped North Korea. JY B L481
Noah, Trevor  It’s Trevor Noah: Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood: Adapted for Young Readers. JY B N739
Pelzer, David J.  A Child Called "It": One Child’s Courage to Survive. JY B P393
Samanci, Özge  Dare to Disappoint: Growing up in Turkey. JY B Sa18
Seiple, Samantha  Lincoln’s Spymaster: Allan Pinkerton, America's First Private Eye. J B P655s
Silverstein, Ken  The Radioactive Boy Scout: The True Story of a Boy and His Backyard Nuclear Reactor. JY B H148s
Tarbox, Katherine  A Girl’s Life Online. JY B T179g
Yousafzai, Malala  I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World. JY B Y81
Yousafzai, Mala  We Are Displaced: My Journey and Stories from Refugee Girls Around the World. JY 305.23 Y82
Broaddus, Maurice  The Usual Suspects.
Dessen, Sarah  Saint Anything: A Novel.
Ducie, Joe  The Rig.
Giles, L.R.  Overturned.
Jensen, Cordelia  Every Shiny Thing.
Lange, Erin Jade  Rebel, Bully, Geek, Pariah.
Matharu, Taran  The Chose.
Mikaelson, Ben  Touching Spirit Bear.
Milan, Maura  Ignite the Stars.
Nijkamp, Marieke  This Is Where It Ends. TEEN
Pearsall, Shelley  The Seventh Most Important Thing.
Stanley, Shalanda  Nick and June Were Here. TEEN

Crime & Punishment

Adeyemi, Tomi  Children of Blood and Bone. TEEN
Bardugo, Leigh  Shadow and Bone.
Beddor, Frank  The Looking Glass Wars.
Caine, Rachel  Ink and Bone.
Cashore, Kristin  Graceling.
Chabon, Michael  Summerland.
Chima, Cinda Williams  The Demon King: A Seven Realms Novel.
Clare, Cassandra  City of Bones.
Cooper, T.  Changers: Book One: Drew.
Durst, Sarah Beth  Fire and Heist.
Emezi, Akwaeke  Pet.
Goldman, William  The Princess Bride: S. Morgenstern's Classic Tale of True Love and High Adventure.
Hamilton, Alwyn  Rebel of the Sands.
Honeybourn, Jennifer  When Life Gives You Demons.
Horowitz, Anthony  Raven’s Gate.
Ibanez, Isabel  Woven in Moonlight. TEEN
Kagawa, Julie  Shadow of the Fox.
Le Guin, Ursula  
Maas, Sarah  
Meyer, Marissa  
Munda, Rosaria  
Ness, Patrick  
Neumeier, Rachel  
Nix, Garth  
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Pullman, Philip  
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Rogerson, Margaret  
Scott, Michael  
Shan, Darren  
Shusterman, Neal

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Barnes, Daniel  
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Brosgol, Vera  
Colfer, Eoin  
Furudate, Haruichi  
Horikoshi, Khei  
Krosoczka, Jarrett  
Kuhn, Sarah  
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Throne of Glass.  
Cinder.  
Fireborne.  
And the Ocean Was Our Sky.  
Keeper of the Mist.  
Sabriel.  
Beasts Made of Night.  
The Book of Dust: La Belle Sauvage.  
The Golden Compass.  
Sorcery of Thorns.  
The Alchemyst.  
Cirque du Freak: A Living Nightmare.  
Scythe.  
The Black Image.  
Dead Weight: Murder at Camp Bloom.  
Anyà’s Ghost.  
Illegal.  
Haikyu!!  
My Hero Academia.  
Hey, Kiddo.  
Shadow of the Batgirl.  
All Summer Long.  
Queen of the Sea.  
Under the Moon: A Catwoman Tale.  
The Oracle Code: A Graphic Novel.  
They Called Us Enemy.  
Drama.  
Bad Island.  
Sleepless.  
Cheshire Crossing.  
Dragon Hoops.  
Chains.  
Lucky Strikes.  
Around the World in 100 Days.  
Jefferson’s Sons: A Founding Father’s Secret Children.  
Hamilton and Peggy!: A Revolutionary Friendship.  
Dodger Boy.  
The Light Between Us: A Novel of World War II.  
Allies.  
No Promises in the Wind.  
Night Witches: A Novel of World War II.  
The Downstairs Girl.  
All the Stars Denied.
Mills, Wendy  
All We Have Left.

Namioka, Lensy  

Powell, Patricia Hruby  
Loving vs. Virginia: A Documentary Novel of the Landmark Civil Rights Case.

Schlitz, Laura Amy  
Hired Girl.

Sepetys, Ruta  
The Fountains of Silence: A Novel.

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Salt to the Sea.

Thomas, Sherry  
The Magnolia Sword: A Ballad of Mulan.

Wein, Elizabeth  
The Enigma Game.

Holocaust and Genocide

We Spoke Out: Comic Books and the Holocaust.  
*JY 940.5318 W361*

Adlington, L.J.  
The Red Ribbon.

Cameron, Sharon  
The Light in Hidden Places: A Novel Based on the True Story of Stefania Podgor ska.  
*TEEN*

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Once.

Hesse, Monica  
Girl in the Blue Coat.

Hillman, Laura  
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*J B H654*

Iturbe, Antonio  
The Librarian of Auschwitz.

Price, Planaria J.  
Claiming My Place: Coming of Age in the Shadow of the Holocaust.  
*J Y B R352p*

Rappaport, Doreen  
Beyond Courage: The Untold Story of Jewish Resistance During the Holocaust.  
*J 940.5318 R221*

Rauh, Georg  
Unlikely Warrior: A Jewish Soldier in Hitler’s Army.  
*J 940.54 R241*

Spiegelman, Art  
Maus I: A Survivor's Tale: My Father Bleeds History.  
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What the Night Sings: A Novel.  
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Playing for the Commandant.

Zusak, Markus  
The Book Thief.  
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Horror

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The Dead Girls of Hysteria Hall.

Alexander, K.R.  
The Fear Zone.

Barzak, Christopher  
The Gone Away Place.

Bobulski, Chelsea  
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Wax.

Halpern, Jake  
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Hunt, Leo  
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Lloyd-Jones, Emily  
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Mabry, Samantha  
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Marshall, Kate Alice  
Rules for Vanishing.

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The Vanishing Deep.

Shippen, Lauren
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Bleeding Earth.

Yates, Alex
How We Became Wicked.

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Calame, Don
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Carter, Ally
Heist Society.

Crompton, Laurie
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Strohm, Stephanie Kate
That’s Not What I Heard.

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Poet X.

Ahmed, Samira
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Budhos, Marina Tamar
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Philippe, Ben
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Saedi, Sara
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