

Reading List for Kids & Teens

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The FAIR Reading List for Kids & Teens

Here is a list of books for kids and teens that demonstrate values such as perseverance, leadership, judgment, curiosity, friendship, self-regulation and hope.

Young Readers

I am Martin Luther King, Jr.

by Brad Metzer and Christopher Eliopoulos

Little Blue Truck

by Alice Schertle, Jill McElmurry, illustrator

Mae Among the Stars

by Roda Ahmed, Stasia Burrington, illustrator

Juno Valentine and the Magical Shoes

by Eva Chen, Derek Desierto, illustrator

Hair Love

by Matthew Cherry, Vashti Harrison, illustrator

Enemy Pie

by Derek Munson, Tara Calahan King, illustrator

Ferdinand

by Munro Leaf, Robert Lawson, illustrator

Click Clack Moo: Cows That Type

by Doreen Cronin, Betsy Lewin, illustrator

A Good Day

by Kevin Henkes

Elementary School

The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and the Horse (all ages) by Charlie Mackesy

George Washington National Geographic Society

Abe Lincoln Remembers by Ann Turner, Wendell Minor, illustrator

I Have a Dream
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Kadir Nelson

Wonder by R.J. Palacio

Separate is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez and Her Family's Fight for Desegregation by Duncan Tonatiuh

A Place to Land: Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Speech that Inspired a Nation by Barry Wittenstein, Jerry Pinkney, illustrator The Year of Billy Miller by Kenvin Henkes

Code 7: Cracking the Code for an Epic Life by Bryan Johnson

Free For You and Me: What Our First Amendment Means by Christy Mihaly, Manu Montoya, illustrator

Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Chester Nez and the Unbreakable Code: A Navajo Code Talker's Story
by Joseph Bruchac, Liz Amini-Holmes, illustrator

Best Friendsby Shannon Hale, LeUyen Pham, illustrator

The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster

Middle School

FICTION

Resistance by Jennifer Nielsen

Freak the Mighty
by Rodman Philbrick

American Born Chinese (Graphic novel) by Gene Luen Yang

A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Fahrenheit 451

Harrison Bergeron (short story)

by Kurt Vonnegut

The Giver

by Lois Lowry

Anthem

by Ayn Rand

Animal Farm

by George Orwell

Inside Out and Back Again

by Thanhha Lai

Bud, Not Buddy

by Christopher Paul Curtis

The Night Diary

by Veera Hirandani

Refugee

by Alan Gratz

Out of My Mind

by Sharon Draper

The House on Mango Street

by Sandra Cisneros

Watership Down

by Richard Adams

MEMOIR

Red Scarf Girl

by Ji-li Jiang

I am Malala

by Malala Yousafzai

Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl

by Anne Frank

OTHER

Unbroken (The Young Adult Adaptation)

by Laura Hildebrand

"Human Family"

poem by Maya Angelou

"Kindness"

poem by Naomi Shihab Nye

A Maze me - Poems for Girls

Naomi Shihab Nye

High School

FICTION

1984

by George Orwell

In the Time of the Butterflies

by Julia Alvarez

The Handmaid's Tale

by Margaret Atwood

The Testaments (sequel)

by Margaret Atwood

The Circle

by Dave Eggers

Brave New World

by Aldous Huxley

A Free Life

by Ha Jin

MEMOIR

The Color of Water

by James McBride

Educated

by Tara Westover

I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings

by Maya Angelou

The Slave Narrative of the Life

of Frederick Douglass

by Frederick Douglass

The Secret Life of Bees

by Sue Monk Kidd

Tell the Wolves I'm Home

by Carol Rifka Brunt

The Screwtape Letters

by C. S. Lewis

Life of Pi

by Yann Martel

The Kiterunner

by Khaled Hosseini

The Chocolate War

by Robert Cormier

Feed

Night

by Elie Weisel

Maus (Graphic Memoir)

by Art Spiegelman

Persepolis (Graphic Memoir)

by Marjane Satrapi

OTHER

The Madness of Crowds

by Douglas Murray

1776

by David McCullough

The Gulag Archipelago

by Alexander Solzhenitsyn

Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community

by Martin Luther King, Jr., Forward by Coretta Scott King

The Other Wes Moore

by Wes Moore

In Order to Live: A North Korean Girl's Journey to Freedom

by Yeonmi Park

The Librarian of Auschwitz

by Antonio Iturbe Lilit Thwaites, translator

Frederick Douglass: Prophet of Freedom

by David W. Blight

The Rise of American Democracy:

Jefferson to Lincoln

by Sean Wilentz

Hamilton: An American Biography

by Tony Williams

The Constitution and the Declaration of Independence: The Constitution of the United States of America, by The Founding Fathers

by Paul Skousen

The Know Your Bill of Rights Book

by Sean Patrick