McDonogh Middle School

Seventh and Eighth Grade Reading List

Please refer to the Middle School Summer Reading and Writing Requirements for more information on required reading for Middle School students.

ADVENTURE AND MYSTERY



Unbroken: an Olympian's journey from airman to castaway to captive by Laura Hillenbrand

A captivating young adult edition of the award-winning #1 New York Times best-seller documents the inspirational true story of how Louis Zamperini, a juvenile delinquent-turned-Olympic athlete and World War II pilot, crashed into the ocean and survived for weeks on a life raft only to become a prisoner of war. Includes more than 100 photographs and an exclusive interview with Louis Zamperini.



Surrounded by Sharks by Michael Northrop

On the first day of vacation thirteen-year-old Davey Tsering wakes up early, slips out of his family's hotel room without telling anyone, and heads for the beach and a swim in the warm Floridian waters--and a fateful meeting with a shark.



Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie

Famed detective Hercule Poirot is a passenger on the Orient Express train when a renowned kidnapper/murderer is found dead.



Alex Rider Adventures: Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz

After the death of the uncle who had been his guardian, fourteen-year-old Alex Rider is coerced to continue his uncle's dangerous work for Britain's intelligence agency, MI6.



Shelter: A Mickey Bolitar Novel by Harlan Coben

After tragic events tear Mickey Bolitar away from his parents, he is forced to live with his estranged Uncle Myron and switch high schools, where he finds both friends and enemies, but when his new girlfriend, Ashley, vanishes, he follows her trail into a seedy underworld that reveals she is not what she seems to be.



The Hound of the Baskervilles by Arthur Conan Doyle

When Sir Charles Baskerville is found mysteriously dead, everyone remembers the legend of the monstrous creature that haunts the moor, but Sherlock Holmes knows there must be a more rational explanation.



Twisted Summer by Willo Davis Roberts

Hoping for romance, fourteen-year-old Cici instead spends summer vacation with her extended family at Crystal Lake trying to solve a murder which occurred there the year before.



Shift by Jennifer Bradbury

After graduating from high school, best friends Win and Chris take a cross-country bicycle trek from West Virginia to Washington state, during which they discover amazingly beautiful places, meet fascinating people...and have a nasty fight. Chris finishes the trip solo and returns home to start college...and until an FBI agent shows up to question him about the details of their trip, Chris has no idea that Win never made it back.



Trash by Andy Mulligan

Fourteen-year-olds Raphael and Gardo team up with a younger boy, Rat, to figure out the mysteries surrounding a bag Raphael finds during their daily life of sorting through trash in a third-world country's dump.



The Thief Lord by Cornelia Funke

Two brothers, having run away from the aunt who plans to adopt the younger one, are sought by a detective hired by their aunt, but they have found shelter with -- and the protection of -- Venice's "Thief Lord".



Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer by John Grisham

Thirteen-year-old Theodore Boone has always dreamed of being a great trial lawyer someday, but a sensational murder trial forces him into the arena sooner than expected, and he is determined to see that justice prevails.



The Living by Matt De La Pena

After an earthquake destroys California and a tsunami wrecks the luxury cruise ship where he is a summer employee, high schooler Shy confronts another deadly surprise.



The Face on the Milk Carton by Caroline B. Cooney

A photograph of a missing girl on a milk carton leads Janie on a search for her real identity.



Icecore By Matt Whyman

Seventeen-year-old Englishman Carl Hobbes meant no harm when he hacked into Fort Knox's security system, but at Camp Twilight in the Arctic Circle, known as the Guantanamo Bay of the north, he is tortured to reveal information about a conspiracy of which he was never a part.

Award Winners



Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte

The story of the relationship between a spirited, intelligent, fiercely independent governess and a brooding, melancholy man named Rochester.



The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Kelly Barnhill by Kelly Regan Barnhill

An epic fantasy about a young girl raised by a witch, a swamp monster, and a Perfectly Tiny Dragon, who must unlock the powerful magic buried deep inside her.



The Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway

An epic struggle between an aging fisherman and a mighty fish.



Of Mice and Men by John Stienbeck

The tragic story of two itinerant ranch hands on the run--one is the lifelong companion to the other, a developmentally disabled man.



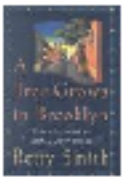
The Pigman by Paul Zindel

Two high school sophomores from unhappy homes form a close friendship with a lonely old man who has a terrible secret.



The Bomb by Theodore Taylor

In 1945, when the American forces take the Bikini Atoll from the occupying Japanese, Sorry Rinamu does not realize that the next year he will lead a desperate effort to save his island home from a much more deadly threat.



A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith

A sensitive, intelligent young girl, Francie Nolan, struggles with her family to survive in a poverty-stricken neighborhood.



The Iron Ring By Lloyd Alexander

Driven by his sense of dharma, or honor, young King Tamar sets off on a perilous journey, with a significance greater than he can imagine, during which he meets talking animals, villainous and noble kings, demons, and the love of his life. Includes glossary.



Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

This American classic from 1867 tells the story of a boy's summer adventures of playing hooky, pulling pranks, getting lost in a cave, fighting in the schoolyard, and impressing his friend Becky Thatcher.



The House of the Scorpion by Nancy Farmer

In a future where humans despise clones, Matt enjoys special status as the young clone of El Patron, the 142-year-old leader of a corrupt drug empire nestled between Mexico and the United States.



Lord of the Flies by William Golding

The classic study of human nature which depicts the degeneration of a group of schoolboys marooned on a desert island.

REALISTIC FICTION



Refugee by Alan Gratz

Separated by decades, Josef, a Jew living in 1930s Nazi Germany; Isabel, a girl trying to escape unrest in 1994 Cuba; and Mahmoud, a Syrian boy in 2015 whose homeland is torn apart by violence, embark on journeys in search of refuge.



New Kid by Tim Green

A troubled kid finds his bearings in a new school after a baseball coach offers him a spot on the team



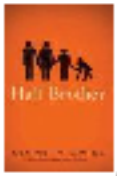
Torn Away by Jennifer Brown

In the aftermath of a tornado that has devastated her hometown of Elizabeth, Missouri, sixteen-year-old Jersey Cameron struggles to overcome her grief as she is sent to live with her only surviving relatives.



Counting by 7's By Holly Goldberg Sloan

Twelve-year-old genius and outsider Willow Chance must figure out how to connect with other people and find a surrogate family for herself after her parents are killed in a car accident.



Half Brother by Kenneth Oppel

In 1973, when a renowned Canadian behavioral psychologist pursues his latest research project--an experiment to determine whether chimpanzees can acquire advanced language skills--he brings home a baby chimp named Zan and asks his thirteen-year-old son to treat Zan like a little brother.



Tangerine by Edward Bloor

Twelve-year-old Paul, who lives in the shadow of his football hero brother Erik, fights for the right to play soccer despite his near blindness and slowly begins to remember the incident that damaged his
Eyesight.



The Crossover by Kwame Alexander

Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health



Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie by Jordan Sonnenblick

When his younger brother is diagnosed with leukemia, thirteen-year-old Steven tries to deal with his complicated emotions, his school life, and his desire to support his family.



A Corner of the Universe by Ann M. Martin

The summer that Hattie turns twelve, she meets the childlike uncle she never knew and becomes friends with a girl who works at the carnival that comes to Hattie's small town.



Shark Girl by Kelly Bingham

After a shark attack causes the amputation of her right arm, fifteen-year-old Jane, an aspiring artist, struggles to come to terms with her loss and the changes it imposes on her day-to-day life and her plans for the future.



How it Went Down by Kekla Magoon

When sixteen-year-old Tariq Johnson is shot to death, his community is thrown into an uproar because Tariq was black and the shooter, Jack Franklin, is white, and in the aftermath everyone has something to say, but no two accounts of the events agree.



Olives Ocean by Kevin Henkes

On a summer visit to her grandmother's cottage by the ocean, twelve-year-old Martha gains perspective on the death of a classmate, on her relationship with her grandmother, on her feelings for an older boy, and on her plans to be a writer.



Shabanu: Daughter of the Wind by Suzanne Staples

Shabanu, a young Pakistani woman, is pledged in marriage to an older man whose money will bring prestige to the family.



Blackbird Fly by Erin Entrada Kelly

Bullied at school, eighth-grader Apple, a Filipino American who loves the music of the Beatles, decides to change her life by learning how to play the guitar.



Return to Sender by Julia Alvarez

After his family hires migrant Mexican workers to help save their Vermont farm from foreclosure, eleven-year-old Tyler befriends the oldest daughter, but when he discovers they may not be in the country legally, he realizes that real friendship knows no borders.



Lucky Strikes by Louis Bayard

14-year-old Amelia is determined to keep that gas station running, even if she only has 11-year-old Earle and young Janey for help. Unfortunately, Harley Blevins owns all the other Standard Oil stations in the area, and he wants the Oasis bad enough to see the family split up.

SCIENCE FICTION and FANTASY



Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy by Douglas Adams

Ford Prefect and Arthur Dent wind up in an outrageous spacecraft after Earth is demolished in this humorous science fiction story.



Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury

A fireman in the future faces his conscience when he comes to terms with the outcome of his job, which is burning books.



Legend by Marie Lu

In a dark future, when North America has split into two warring nations, fifteen-year-olds Day, a famous criminal, and prodigy June, the brilliant soldier hired to capture him, discover that they have a common enemy.



The Hunger Games by Susan Collins

Sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen volunteers to become a contender in the annual Hunger Games, a grave competition hosted by the Capitol where young boys and girls are pitted against one another in a televised fight to the death.



The Dark is Rising by Susan Cooper

On his birthday, Will finds himself in a world that is like his own only in this new land, he must dedicate himself to fight the forces of evil.



The Glass Sentence by S.E Grove

In 1891, in a world transformed by 1799's Great Disruption--when all of the continents were flung into different time periods--thirteen-year-old Sophia Tims and her friend Theo go in search of Sophia's uncle, Shadrack Elli, Boston's foremost cartologer, who has been kidnapped.



Z for Zachariah by Robert O'Brien

A teenage girl faces the aftermath of nuclear destruction. She believes she is the only person left until she finds another survivor whose extreme behavior ends in violence.



A Tale Dark and Grimm by Adam Gidwitz

If you think of fairy tales as nice, pretty little stories to bore children to sleep with, A Tale Dark & Grimm will make you think again. Weaving the disturbing bits of several Brothers Grimm tales and plenty of his own mischief into a single story, author Adam Gidwitz tells his own version of the (often gruesome) adventures of Hansel and Gretel.



Eragon by Christopher Paolini

A young farm boy finds a spectacular blue stone that hatches into a sapphire-blue dragon. First-time author Paolini began this book when he was just fifteen years old.



The Lightning Thief (Percy Jackson and the Olympians) by Rick Riordan

In this fresh spin on the adventures of the Greek gods, a troubled boarding school student finds out he is really the son of Poseidon.

 **Unwind by Neil Shusterman**

Three teens embark upon a cross-country journey in order to escape a society that salvages body parts from children ages thirteen to eighteen.

 **Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring by J.R. Tolkein**

In ancient times, the Dark Lord lost the One Ring that would allow him to rule all others. He seeks this ring throughout Middle-earth, hampered by hobbits, elves, dwarves, and gray-bearded wizards.

 **The Thief by Megan Turner**

The king's scholar selects an imprisoned thief to help him take a dangerous journey to find an ancient treasure.

 **The War of the Worlds by H. G. Wells**

An intellectually-superior race from Mars invades the Earth with plans to enslave human beings.

 **Life as we knew it by Susan Beth Pfeffer**

Through journal entries sixteen-year-old Miranda describes her family's struggle to survive after a meteor hits the moon, causing worldwide tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.

 **Michael Vey:Prisoner of Cell 25 by Richard Paul Evens**

Michael Vey, a fourteen-year old who has Tourette's syndrome and special electric powers, finds there are others like him, and must rely on his powers to save himself and the others from a diabolical group seeking to control them.

 **Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins**

When eleven-year-old Gregor and his two-year-old sister are pulled into a strange underground world, they trigger an epic battle involving men, bats, rats, cockroaches, and spiders while on a quest foretold by ancient prophecy.



The Hot Zone by Richard Preston

A highly infectious, deadly virus from the central African rainforest suddenly appears in the suburbs of Washington, D.C. In a few days 90 percent of its victims are dead. A secret military SWAT team of soldiers and scientists is mobilized to stop the outbreak of this exotic "hot" virus.



The Maze Runner by James Dansher

Sixteen-year-old Thomas wakes up with no memory in the middle of a maze and realizes he must work with the community in which he finds himself if he is to escape.



The 5th Wave by Richard Yancey

Cassie Sullivan, the survivor of an alien invasion, must rescue her young brother from the enemy with help from a boy who may be one of them



Superhuman by Michel Owen Caroll

A ragtag group of young superheroes takes on a powerful warrior who is transported from 4,000 years in the past to enslave the modern world.



Escape from Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein

When a lock-in becomes a reality game, 12-year-old Kyle Keeley and his friends use library resources to find their way out of Alexandriaville's new public library.



Saving Lucas Biggs by Marisa de los Santos and David Teague

Margaret O'Malley's father is sentenced to death for crimes she knows he did not commit.
This forces her on a quest to save him from bitter, vindictive Judge Biggs. Margaret goes back to 1938 and witnesses the events that caused Lucas Biggs to become the person he is today.



Zeroes by Scott Westerfeld

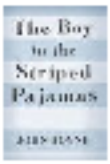
Told from separate viewpoints, teens Scam, Crash, Flicker, Anonymous, Bellwether, and Kelsie, all born in the year 2000 and living in Cambria, California, have superhuman abilities that give them interesting but not heroic lives until they must work as a community to respond to a high stakes crisis.

HISTORICAL FICTION



Echo by Pam Munoz Ryan

Decades after a man is entwined in a prophecy-based quest involving three mysterious sisters and a harmonica, three individuals from different areas of the world confront daunting challenges involving the same harmonica



The Boy in the Striped Pajamas by John Boyne

Lonely after his family moves from Berlin to a place called "Out-With" in 1942, Bruno the son of a Nazi officer befriends a boy in striped pajamas who lives behind a wire fence.



A Night Divided by Jennifer A. Neilsen

When her family is divided by the rise of the Berlin Wall, twelve-year-old Gerda harbors forbidden thoughts about freedom and reuniting with her loved ones before a coded message from her father inspires a daring plan.



Let the Circle be Unbroken by Mildred D. Taylor

Four black children growing up in rural Mississippi during the Depression experience racial antagonisms and hard times, but learn from their parents the pride and self-respect they need to survive.



The Rifle by Gary Paulsen

A priceless, handcrafted rifle, fired throughout the American Revolution, is passed down through the years until it fires on a fateful Christmas Eve of 1994.



The Berlin Boxing Club by Rob Sharenow

In 1936 Berlin, fourteen-year-old Karl Stern, considered Jewish despite a non-religious upbringing, learns to box from the legendary Max Schmeling while struggling with the realities of the Holocaust.



Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly

Now in a special new edition perfect for young readers, this is the amazing true story of four African-American female mathematicians at NASA who helped achieve some of the greatest moments in our space program.



War Horse By Michael Morpurgo

Joey the horse recalls his experiences growing up on an English farm, his struggle for survival as a cavalry horse during World War I, and his reunion with his beloved master.


Book Thief by Mark Zusak

Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II , Death relates the story of Liesel, a young German girl whose book-stealing and storytelling talents help sustain her family and a Jewish man they are hiding.



Soldier Boy by Brian Burks

In the 1800's, when prizefighter Johnny McBane's life is threatened, he joins the harsh existence of the U.S. Cavalry men, even though he has never ridden a horse or fired a rifle.



Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

In vivid poems that reflect the joy of finding her voice through writing stories, an award-winning author shares what it was like to grow up in the 1960s and 1970s in both the North and the South.



The Gadget by Paul Zindel

In 1945, having joined his father at Los Alamos, where he and other scientists are working on a secret project to end World War II, thirteen-year-old Stephen becomes caught in a web of secrecy and intrigue.


Echoes of the White Giraffe by Sook Nyul Choi

After Sookan is driven from her comfortable Korean home by war, she rises above her painful life as a refugee by defying culture in order to become forbidden friends with a boy her own age.



The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate by Jacqueline Kelly

In central Texas in 1899, eleven-year-old Callie Vee Tate is instructed to be a lady by her mother, learns about love from the older three of her six brothers, and studies the natural world with her grandfather, the latter of which leads to an important discovery.



Dead End in Norvelt by Jack Gantos

In the historic town of Norvelt, Pennsylvania, twelve-year-old Jack Gantos spends the summer of 1962 grounded for various offenses until he is assigned to help an elderly neighbor with a most unusual chore involving the newly dead, molten wax, twisted promises, Girl Scout cookies, underage driving, lessons from history, typewriting, and countless bloody noses.



After the War by Carol Matas

Rather than succumb to despair, a Holocaust survivor helps Jewish children travel to Palestine.



Killer Angels by Michael Shaara

This Pulitzer Prize-winning novel examines the Civil War Battle of Gettysburg through the sharp eyes and sometimes-pained voices of the leaders from both sides.



Climbing the Stairs by Padma Venkatraman

In India, in 1941, when her father becomes brain-damaged in a non-violent protest march, 15-year-old Vidya and her family are forced to move in with her father's family and become accustomed to a totally different way of life.



When My Name Was Keoko by Linda Sue Park

With national pride and occasional fear, a brother and sister face the increasingly oppressive occupation of Korea by Japan during World War II, which threatens to suppress Korean culture entirely.



Chains by Laurie Halse Anderson

After being sold to a cruel couple in New York City, a slave named Isabel spies for the rebels during the Revolutionary War.



The Boy Who Dared by Susan Campbell Bartoletti

In October, 1942, seventeen-year-old Helmuth Hubener, imprisoned for distributing anti-Nazi leaflets, recalls his past life and how he came to dedicate himself to bring the truth about Hitler and the war to the German people.



A Long Way from Chicago by Richard Peck

A boy recounts his annual summer trips to rural Illinois with his sister during the Great Depression to visit their larger-than-life grandmother..



90 Miles to Havana by Enrique Flores-Galbis

When Julian's parents send him and his two brothers to Miami to escape from the Cuban revolution, the boys are thrust into a new world where bullies run rampant and it is not always clear how best to protect themselves.



Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepetys

Titanic. Lusitania. Wilhelm Gustloff. All major maritime disasters, yet the last is virtually unknown. Ruta Sepetys changes that in her gripping historical novel. Told in short snippets, Salt to the Sea rotates between four narrators attempting to escape various tragedies in 1945 Europe.

NON-FICTION



The Family Romanov: Murder, Rebellion, and the Fall of Imperial Russia by Candace Fleming

Traces the story of the Russian Revolution, the lives of the Romanov family, and the story of their tragic deaths, in an account that draws on primary source materials and includes period photography.



Let Me Play: The Story of Title IX: The Law That Changed the Future of Girls in America by Steve Metzger

Explores the history, struggle, and passage of Title IX, the law that allowed girls the freedom to pursue sports of their choosing, and the effects this law has had on society since its inception.



How the Beatles Changed the World by Martin W. Sandler

Fifty years after the British invasion began, explores the Beatles' long-lasting impact on the world, revealing how the band changed popular culture forever..



A Volcano Beneath the Snow: John Brown's War Against Slavery by Albert Marrin

John Brown's fight to end slavery in the United States is presented in a broad historical context that reveals an impact far beyond the time it occurred. John Brown and his efforts to end slavery were integral aspects of the lead-up to the U.S. Civil War.



Voice of freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer: the spirit of the Civil Rights Movement by Weatherford, Carole Boston Presents a collage-illustrated treasury of poems and spirituals inspired by the life and work of civil rights advocate Fannie Lou Hamer.



Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mt. Everest Disaster by Jon Krakauer

The riveting first-hand account of a catastrophic expedition up Mount Everest in March 1996.



The Perfect Storm: A True Story of Men Against the Sea by Sebastian Junger

A recounting of the 1991 "Storm of the Century," which captures the last moments for the crew-members on the *Andrea Gail*.



Life in motion: an unlikely ballerina : young readers edition by Misty Copeland

The first female African American principal dancer in American Ballet Theatre history recounts her road to stardom, from her first ballet class to her rise through the professional ranks while dealing with a challenging home life.



The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights by Steve Sheinkin

Presents an account of the 1944 civil rights protest involving hundreds of African-American Navy servicemen who were unjustly charged with mutiny for refusing to work in unsafe conditions after the deadly Port Chicago explosion.



Heaven is a Playground by Rick Tellander

The true story of a man who spends a summer with the talented basketball players of a poverty-stricken, crime-ridden New York playground, sharing their lives, their dreams, and their agonies.



Claudette Colvin: twice toward justice by Philip M. Hoose

Presents the life of the Alabama teenager who played an integral but little-known role in the Montgomery bus strike of 1955-1956, once by refusing to give up a bus seat, and again, by becoming a plaintiff in the landmark civil rights case against the bus company.



Mr. Lincoln' High-Tech War by Thomas B. Allen

Reveals how President Lincoln's appreciation for the power of technology played a critical role in the North's Civil War victory over the less developed South.



Chasing Lincoln's Killer by James L Swanson

Recounts the escape of John Wilkes Booth, Abraham Lincoln's assassin, and follows the intensive twelve-day search for him and his accomplices.



Natural Selection by Phil J. Gibson

Gibson describes the factors that drive natural selection and explains how it operates, offering a look at biodiversity and how organisms change over the course of time



. **Earth's Shifting Surface by Robert Snedden**

This vibrant text examines the Earth's surface, including how it changes and why it shifts. It also describes the formation of mountains, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, and the movement of continents.



The American Revolution by Steve Shienkin

Sheinkin utilizes direct quotations and a lighthearted touch to bring our nation's history alive. Along with famous figures, readers hear from soldiers, farmers, and other lesser-known folk.



Beautiful Swimmers: Watermen, Crabs, and the Chesapeake Bay by William W. Warner

The Pulitzer prize-winning book about the pugnacious,succulent Atlantic blue crab and its home waters,the marshes of the Chesapeake Bay.



Written in Bone: Buried lives of Jamestown and Colonial Maryland by Sally M Walker

Sally Walker takes readers through the process of investigating human remains found at colonial-era sites to reveal causes of death, match remains with the names on the historical records, and determine the skeletons' gender, age at death, nationality, and even economic standing.



Being Jazz: my life as a (transgender) teen by Jazz Jennings

The author recounts how her public experiences have influenced her attitude towards the transgender community, as she works to educate others about transgenderism while navigating the challenges of being a teenager.



The Year of Goodbyes by Debbie Levy

A mother's 1938 autograph book filled with inscriptions from family and friends is the inspiration for a collection of narrative poems about life in Nazi Germany for a Jewish family trying to escape the horrors of the the Holocaust.



Living through the Red Scare edited by Derek C. Maus

Provides a history of the American anticommunist hysteria fueled by the Russian Revolution of 1917, as well as by the Cold War during the McCarthy era.



The Way Things Never Were: The Truth About the 'Good Old Days by Norman Finkelstine

A history of the United States during the 1950s and 1960s, including sections on health care, eating habits, family life, and environmental issues.

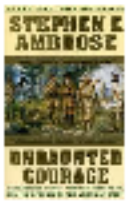


Because they marched: the people's campaign for voting rights that changed America by Russell Fredman Presents an account of the 1965 civil rights march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, an event that sparked the signing of the Voting Rights Act.



Bomb: the race to build--and steal--the world's most dangerous weapon by Steven Sheinikn

Recounts the scientific discoveries that enabled atom splitting, the military intelligence operations that occurred in rival countries, and the work of brilliant scientists hidden at Los Alamos.



Undaunted Courage by Stephen E. Ambrose

The definitive book on Lewis and Clark's exploration of the Louisiana Purchase, the most momentous expedition in American history and one of the great adventure stories of all time.



Rocket Boys by Homer Hickman Jr.

The memoir that inspired the film *October Sky*, **Rocket Boys** is a uniquely American memoir--a powerful, luminous story of coming of age at the dawn of the 1960s, of a mother's love and a father's fears, of a group of young men who dreamed of launching rockets into outer space . . . and who made those dreams come true.



The Island of Lost Maps by Miles Harvey

The Island of Lost Maps is an intriguing literary adventure story, written with flair, imagination, and precision. By recreating the journey of a strange and remarkable map thief, author Miles Harvey takes readers on a compelling exploration of the weird world of maps.

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