



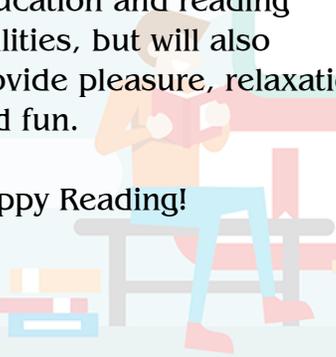
Soddy-Daisy
Community Library
2021 Summer Reading
Recommendations

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The Soddy-Daisy Community Library is proud to present our 2021 Summer Reading Recommendations. These books were chosen by a panel of librarians, educators and book industry professionals, and represent a diverse cross-section of interests so there is something appealing here for every reader.

We hope that these recommendations will not only build on your child's education and reading abilities, but will also provide pleasure, relaxation, and fun.

Happy Reading!



Classics

The Door in the Wall

by Marguerite de Angeli
Story of one boy's personal heroism after he loses the use of his legs.
U / 920L

Old Yeller

by Fred Gipson
Stray dog befriends farm boy who must take care of his family while his father is away.
V / 910L

Call of the Wild

by Jack London
Buck is abducted from a comfortable life as a pet and tossed into the brutal realities of frontier life.
Y / 1120L

Anne of Green Gables

by L. M. Montgomery
Orphan finds a new home and creates a life for herself.
V / 970L

The Hobbit

by J. R. R. Tolkien
Bilbo Baggins is whisked away for an adventure with wizards, dwarves, elves and a dragon.
Z / 1000L

Fantasy / SciFi

Storm Runner

by J. C. Cervantes
Boy has to stop the Mayan god of death.
O / 600L

City of the Plague God

by Sarwat Chadda
Sik must protect New York City, and the world, from an ancient Mesopotamian god.
S / 800L

Among the Hidden

by Margaret Peterson Haddix
It is illegal to have a third child, so how do these "shadow children" survive?
Z / 800L

Legend

by Marie Lu
The Republic is keeping secrets and it's up to two unlikely heroes to uncover the truth.
X / HL710L

Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky

by Kwame Mbalia
Tristan must work with American legends John Henry and Brer Rabbit to save the world.
W / HL680L

Dragonflight

by Anne McCaffrey
Dragons and their riders protect their planet from deadly menace falling from the sky.
W / 940L

Merchant of Death (Pendragon series #1)

by D. J. McHale
Three kids are pulled into an epic adventure across worlds.
X / 660L

Skyward

by Brandon Sanderson
Girl dreams of becoming a pilot in a dangerous world at war for humanity's future.
W / HL680L

Growing Up Dead

by Greg Wilkey
A boy discovers he is the child of a mortal woman and a vampire, and enters a centuries old war of the Undead.
V / 900L

The Magical Reality of Nadia

by Bassem Youssef
Nadia navigates the ups and down of friendship, racism, and Egyptian magic.
O / 620L

Historical Fiction

The Unexpected Life of Oliver Cromwell Pitts

by Avi

Boy attempts to fend for himself among orphan masters, magistrates, and thieves.

Y / 810L

The Boy Who Dared

by Susan Campbell Bartoletti

Youth in Nazi Germany who dares to tell the truth about Hitler.

Y / 760L

Lucky Broken Girl

by Ruth Behar

Young Cuban-Jewish immigrant adjusts to life in New York City.

W / 670L

Code Talker

by Joseph Bruchac

A novel about the Navajo Marines in World War II.

Y / 910L

Where the Lilies Bloom

by Vera and Bill Cleaver

In the 1950s, Mary faces hardships as she tries to keep her family together.

Y / 920L

Ground Zero

by Alan Gratz

Two kids, one devastating day (9/11), and the links between the past and the present.

Z / 690L

The Book of Boy

by Catherine Gilbert Murdock

Young outcast is swept up into a thrilling and perilous medieval treasure hunt.

T / HL600L

Prairie Lotus

by Linda Sue Park

Half-Asian girl in 1880 fights to get an education, become a dressmaker, and make a friend.

Y / 730L

The River Between Us

by Richard Peck

Civil war mystery shows the lifelong impact one person can have on another.

X / 740L

Spy Runner

by Eugene Yelchin

Boy stumbles upon a secret that jeopardizes American national security.

V / 900L

Realistic Fiction

What Stars Are Made Of

by Sarah Allen

Novel about growing up, finding yourself, and loving people with everything you're made of.

S / 800L

Fighting Words

by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Two sisters, linked by love and trauma, must find their own voices and each other.

V / 900L

How to Make Friends with the Sea

by Tanya Guerrero

Young boy faces challenges with anxiety while his mother fosters an orphan with facial deformities.

P / 510L

Wink

by Rob Harrell

Funny and heartwrenching story about surviving middle school and a cancer diagnosis.

O / 580L

Middle School's a Drag

by Greg Howard

Hilarious novel about a boy who starts his own junior talent agency and signs a 13yo aspiring drag queen as his first client.

R / 740L

The Mysterious

Disappearance of Aidan S.

by David Levithan

Lucas' brother disappears and he is the only one who believes in the impossible.

X / 660L

The Lonely Heart of Maybelle Lane

by Kate O'Shaughnessy

Maybelle is looking for her father, but finds courage, brains, heart - and true friends.

X / 680L

City Spies

by James Ponti

Five kids from around the world come together to become spies.

Y / 750L

Black Brother, Black Brother

by Jewell Parker Rhodes
Two brothers, one who presents as white, the other as black, must navigate the world.
V / 900L

Land of the Cranes

by Aida Salazar
Young Latinx girl holds onto hope and love in a migrant family detention center.
V / 900L

Clean Getaway

by Nic Stone
11yo boy goes on a roadtrip with his grandmother.
W / 780L

The Inside Battle

by Melanie Sumrow
Rebel Mercer must face his father's PTSD and must fight against his father's racist, anti-government actions.
W / 975L

Galaxy of Sea Stars

by Jeanne Zulick
When Izzy's dad returns from Afghanistan, he invites his interpreter's family to move in along with their 11yo daughter.
P / 650L

Graphic Novels

This Was Our Pact

by Ryan Andrews
Ben and Nathaniel are the only two left in a pact that takes them down a road of magic, wonder, and unexpected friendship.

Brightly Woven

by Alexandra Bracken
Magical graphic novel about discovering your own power, perfect for fans of the *Amulet* series.

Class Act

by Jerry Craft
Laugh-out-loud funny, powerful, and important story about being one of the few kids of color in a prestigious private school.

Poe: Stories and Poems

by Gareth Hinds
Graphic novel of Edgar Allen Poe's works.

When Stars Are Scattered

by Victoria Jamieson
Omar and Hassan grow up in a Somali refugee camp.

All Summer Long

by Hope Larson
A tale about surviving middle school through roller derby.

Aster and the Accidental Magic

by Thom Pico
A prince with a secret life and his best friend find identity, art and love.

Delicates (Sheets #2)

by Brenda Thummler
Marjorie has discovered ghosts in her family's laundromat. A story of friendship, asking for help, and giving that help.

Non-Fiction

Mini Weapons of Mass Destruction

by John Austin
Build implements of spitball warfare out of everyday household items.
W / 900L

How They Croaked

by Georgia Bragg
The awful ends of the very famous.
W / 950L

The Unwanted

by Don Brown
Graphic novel of the ongoing Syrian refugee crisis, exposing the harsh realities of living in a war zone.
W / 975L

This Book is Anti-Racist

by Tiffany Jewell
20 lessons on how to wake up, take action, and do the work.
V / 930L

The Odd 1s Out

by James Rallison
How to be cool and other things to learn from growing up.
S / 820L

All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys Soccer Team

by Christina Soontornvat
Unique account of cave rescue that blends suspense, science, and cultural insight.
Z / 1020L

Bloody Times

by James L. Swanson
The funeral of Abraham Lincoln and the manhunt for Jefferson Davis.
Z / 1010L

Biography

Enchanted Air

by Margarita Engle
Cuban American girl deals with the Bay of Pigs Invasion and the clash of her two worlds.
X / 1120L

Amelia Lost

by Candace Fleming
The life and disappearance of Amelia Earhart.
U / 930L

Rocket Boys

by Homer Hickam
Group of young men in the 1960s who dreamed of launching rockets into outer space and made those dreams come true.
V / 900L

Diary of a Tokyo Teen

by Mari Inzer
Japanese-American girl returns to Japan before her 16th birthday to get reacquainted with her heritage. Graphic Novel.
W / 950L

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind, Young Readers Edition

by William Kamkwamba
Autobiography of the young man who brought fresh water to his village.
P / 860L

The Boy on the Wooden Box

by Leon Leyson
Biography of one of the youngest children to survive the Holocaust.
Z / 1000L

Looking Back: A Book of Memories

by Lois Lowry
Autobiography of *The Giver* author Lois Lowry.
X / 900L

No Summit Out of Sight

by Jordan Romero
Jordan Romero is the youngest person to climb the seven summits.
T / 850L

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