

# Upper Elementary Summer Reading List

## Fiction

The Willoughbys by Lois Lowry  
The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau **Y DUPRAU**  
The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin **J NEWBERY RASKIN**  
No Talking by Andrew Clements  
The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart **J STEWART**  
The Warm Place by Nancy Farmer  
George's Secret Key to the Universe by Lucy and Stephen Hawking  
A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle **J NEWBERY LENGLE**  
The Seven Professors of the Far North by John Fardell  
The Time Travelers by Linda Buckley-Archer  
The Indian in the Cupboard (series) by Lynne Reid Banks **J BANKS**  
Eleven by Patricia Reilly Giff  
The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster **J JUSTER**  
The Seven Wonders of Sassafraz Springs by Betty Birney  
Sun and Spoon by Kevin Henkes **MJ HENKES**  
Loser by Jerry Spinelli **J SPINELLI**  
Anne of Green Gables (series) by Lucy Maud Montgomery **J MONTGOMERY**  
The Princess and the Goblin by George Macdonald **J MACDONALD**  
The Wolves of Willoughby Chase by Joan Aiken **J AIKEN**  
Understood Betsy by Dorothy Canfield Fisher  
Love, Ruby Lavender by Deborah Wiles **J WILES**  
The Star of Kazan by Eva Ibbotson

## Historical Fiction

Blood on the River: James Town, 1607 by Elisa Carbone **J CARBONE**  
Back in Time with Thomas Edison by Dan Gutman  
Fearless by Elvira Woodruff  
Charley Skedaddle by Patricia Beatty **J BEATTY**  
Billy Creekmore: A Novel by Tracey Porter  
The Apprenticeship of Lucas Whitaker by Cynthia DeFelice **J DEFELICE**  
Mystery at Blackbeard's Cove by Audrey Penn  
Victory by Susan Cooper  
Running Out of Time by Margaret Haddix  
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle by Avi **J AVI**  
The Misadventures of Maude March by Audret Couloumbis **J COULOUMBIS**  
The Winged Watchman by Hilda Van Stockum **J VAN STOCKUM**  
Maria's Story: 1773 Colonial Williamsburg by Joan Lowery Nixon  
Counting on Grace by Elizabeth Winthrop  
Listening for Lions by Gloria Whelan

## Non-Fiction

Don't Know Much About the Presidents by Kenneth Davis  
Archimedes and the Door of Science by Jeanne Bendick  
Along Came Galileo by Jeanne Bendick  
Chew On This: Everything You Don't Want to Know About Fast Food by Eric Schlosser **394.12 SCHLOSSE**  
Oh, Rats! The Story of Rats and People by Albert Marrin  
Confucius: The Golden Rule by Russell Freedman **J 181 FREEDMAN**  
Writing Magic by Gail Carson Levine  
50 American Heroes Every Kid Should Meet by Dennis Denenberg  
The Hero Schliemann: The Dreamer Who Dug For Troy by Laura Amy Schlitz  
The World Made New by Marc Aronson  
Fields of Fury: The American Civil War by James McPherson  
The Ten Things All Future Mathematicians and Scientists Must Know (But are Rarely Taught) by Edward Zaccaro

**Choose one book from each list.**

**You will be reading three books this summer.**

**You will be doing one full length book report.**

**One of your books - you will turn into a picture book.**

**We will also have a contest between the different levels to see who reads the most pages.**

**Details will follow in an e-mail.**

**Book descriptions, additional options, and assignment details will be available online at**

**[www.montessoriorome.com/readinglist/](http://www.montessoriorome.com/readinglist/)**

**And...yes you have to do math, too. Choose twenty-five challenging pages (front and back) from your homework book.**