

6TH GRADE BOOK REVIEWS

2018

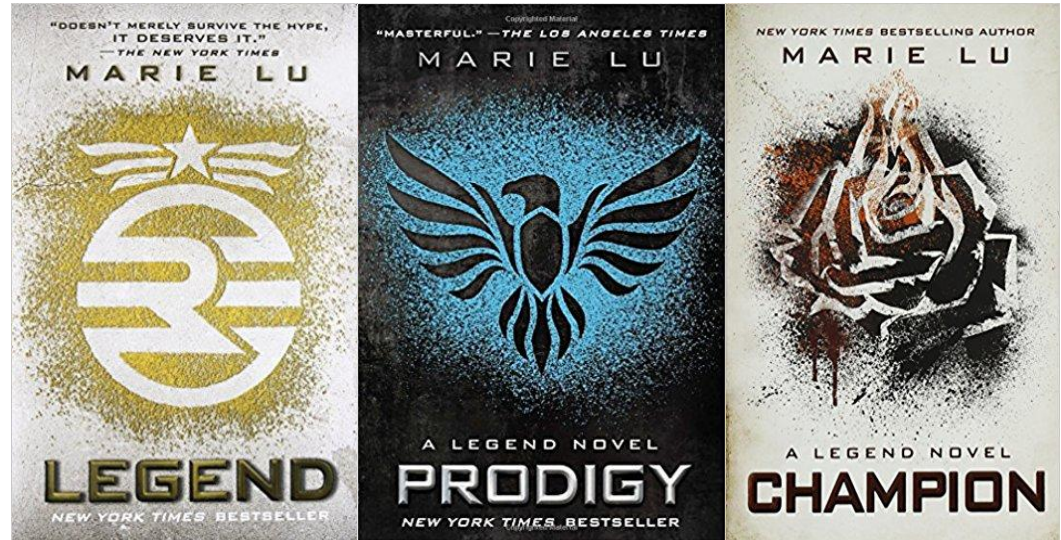
How Samson Zack is as a reader

I like books that are filled with action and suspense. I like books that make me want to read more pages than I have to read and turns the pages for me instead of me turning the pages. I am not the fastest reader in the world, but I can fly through books if they are good. I don't finish books a lot, but this year I found some books I loved. My reader goal was five this year, but I crushed that goal, and doubled it, and read 12 books this year.

The Legend series by Marie Lou

Day is an outlaw who fights against a country called the Republic. June is a girl that works for the Republic army, and is trying to bring Day to justice. Day is fighting against the Republic because they put his brother in quarantine because he had a deadly plague. When Day and June finally meet, they realize that their wants aren't very different from each others. They both need to help the country before more people die.

I think that this book was really good and suspenseful. The theme of the book was probably don't judge a book by its cover. I think that if you like suspense and action packed books, you will love this series. I think it's really similar to the Hunger Games series, so if you like that seires, you will love this book. In all in all, I think that the book is awesome and great for young adult readers.



Lyla as a reader

Overall, I am a very picky reader. I do enjoy reading when I find a good book, but it seems nearly impossible to find one that I like. The genre that I prefer is historical fiction, but I read anything other than fantasy. My reading habits are somewhat inconsistent, sometimes it will take me a week to finish a book, and sometimes a month. I struggle to find books that I enjoy.

Recommended Books

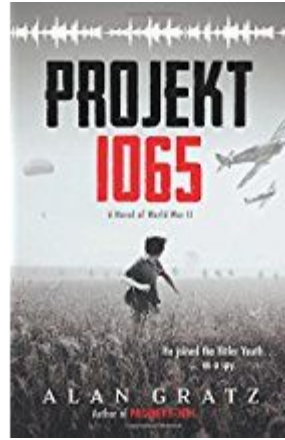
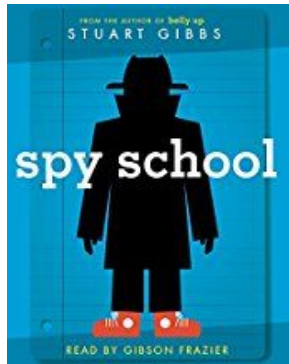
1. Refugee
2. *The War I Finally Won*
3. Night
4. Projekt 1065
5. Echo

The War I Finally Won, by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley is the sequel to *The War That Saved My Life*. Ada's clubfoot is finally fixed. The story takes place during WWII, in England where German bombers that keep the watchers on their toes. To top it off Ruth, a Jew from Germany is staying in their house to study with Suzan, who is raising some interesting suspicions.

The author does a good job of spreading out the events throughout the story. Ada's clubfoot gets fixed in the beginning, but that is only the start to various important plot events and twists. This book would be suitable for ages 9-13. I would recommend reading the first book, *The War That Saved My Life*, first, for better understanding of the characters and their past. This book is a good fit for historical fiction lovers, but also for readers who prefer realistic fiction.

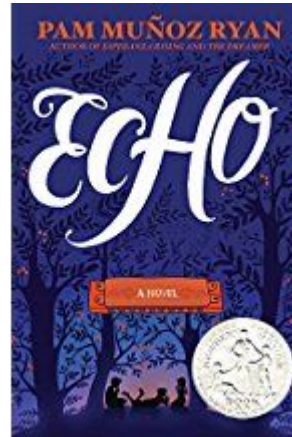
Clare Mone as a Reader

I love to read, but only when I have a good book. I like books to have action and a good, realistic plot with plenty of cliffhangers. I look for entertainment beginning, middle, and end. I am always looking for a good book, and I'm a REALLY picky reader. Historical fiction is probably my favorite genre at the moment. The Holocaust is a broad topic that historical fiction is based on a high percentage of the time. They are dramatic and very exciting. Stuart Gibbs is my favorite author and I love all of his series, which include the Funjungle series, Space Case Series, and Spy School series. All of these collections meet my high expectations and restrictions. I move through books I like very quickly, and I put down books I don't like. If a book doesn't have a strong beginning, it's not for me.

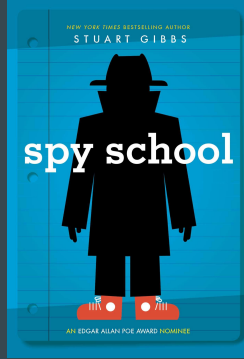


Projekt 1065 by Alan Gratz

Michael O'Shaunessy is an Irish adolescent living in the middle of Nazi Germany during World War II. His father is the Ambassador from Ireland stationed with his family, Michael and his mother, in Germany for the war, because Ireland is a neutral country. But Michael and his parents are secretly spies. As Michael continues his duties with the Hitler Youth, Nazi school in Germany, he must continue to prove his loyalty at all costs, while trying to protect his secret, the Allies, and his own life.



This suspenseful story has many cliffhangers that will leave you desperate for more. Fans of mystery, historical fiction, and action/adventure will enjoy this book. Michael experiences loss, near death situations, and much much more. In the end, you can tell that Alan Gratz makes readers care about the outcome of Michael because he cares about the fate of the world. He knows that good should always defeat evil, and even kids can help out.



Spy School

Ben Ripley is an attendant of a top secret CIA “Spy School” for wannabe spys. He doesn’t exactly fit in. All the other peers there are already top notch spies, while Ben just started. When he first arrives, he’s excited about becoming a spy, however, when an assassin shows up in his dorm room, he starts to think coming here was a bad idea. The next day the word leaks that Ben had managed to evade a professional assassin and now everyone thinks that he is the best spy in the world. His sudden fame makes him a few friends that help him survive the rest of the year. On the other hand, it also brings him the attention of an evil corporation. Can Ben find the inside man in his school? Or more importantly, can he thwart their plans?

This book is packed with action and mystery, always make you wonder what’s going to happen next. The author does a good job of putting you on the edge of your seat while also making you laugh. I also learned a lot about the spy world and things like how to make homemade explosives. One of the themes in this story is that the main character is actually a anti-hero even though he is perceived as a legend. I’d definitely recommend this book to someone.

Yossi as a Reader

I mostly like to read, although I do get bored of books easily. I’ve stopped in the middle of books many times. Even so, I still will pick up a book and start reading whenever.

When I go look for a book, I mostly look for *lots* of adventure. There are, of course, exceptions to that. I don’t usually read for long times because I get energetic really quickly. Then I have to get up and run around for awhile. I also move through books very slowly.

Over all I do like reading, but I’m not very good at it.

Other books I liked



Runner

By Carl Deuker

Chance Taylor lives with his veteran dad on a weather beaten ship. They are a poor family; his mom and he left his father because he was a drunk. His mom decided she wanted to go to art school, so she left him with his dad. Soon Chance and his father were running low on money because Dad was spending too much money on alcohol, and got fired from his job. Chance is now the only person in his family with a job, and he knew that Ray's (where he worked) wasn't going to get him enough money to pay the rent. So when a stranger asks him to do a job for him that paid a lot of money, he was skeptical at first, but eventually gave in. Soon he had enough money for rent but he and his friend figured out what he was actually getting paid for, and tried to stop it.

This is a good book; it is action-packed, fast paced and never fails to excite. This is a realistic YA fiction book.



William As a Reader

When I read, I typically search for a novel that is not too long or too short. Realistic Fiction or Science Fiction are the genres that usually appeal to me. I usually read young adult books. The time when I read the most is in the night on weekends, and in the afternoon. When I start the book and get into it I end up reading for, normally, 2 hours. In the night I end up reading till about eleven. I read a normal length book in about 4 hours, when I read nonstop.

Between Shades of Grey

Lina is a typical fifteen year-old girl living in Lithuania in 1941. She loves to paint and draw. She's even been accepted into art school. One night a Soviet officer barges into her house, taking her, her mom and brother away from their home. They are forced into a dirty cattle car with very little to eat. The train slowly makes its way up north, past the Arctic Circle to a work camp in Siberia. There, they are forced under Stalin's orders doing harsh work in the freezing cold. Lina secretively documents messages in hopes of them reaching her father's prison camp in hopes to let him know that they're still alive.

I really did like *Between Shades of Grey*, and I have no bad things to say. It's mostly a book for 12 year-olds and up. Anyone who likes suspense, adventure, and WWII stories will love this book. *Between Shades of Grey* is a novel that will capture your breath and steal your heart. It's one of my absolute favorite books that I've read so far this year.

Catherine as a reader

I love reading. It's one of my favorite hobbies. My favorite books are books that make you sit on the edge of your seat the entire book. Books with adventure and surprises are great too. I like books with a spooky vibe. They're one of my favorite types of books as well. I love books that end ever chapter on a cliffhanger. Those're one of my favorite types of books as well. Here are some of my favorite books with almost all of these aspects:

My top three:

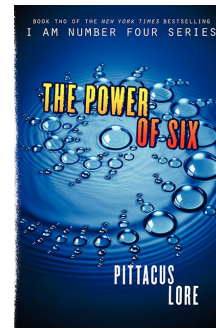
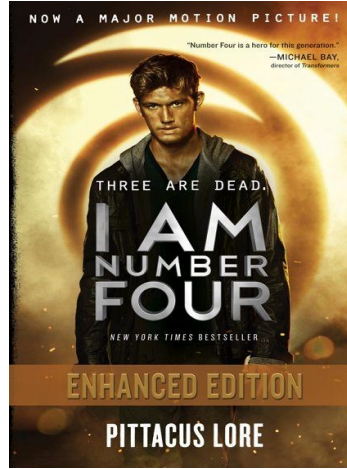
1. *Between Shades of Grey*
2. *Refugee*
3. *Out of my Mind*

Alex Rider Stormbreaker

This story is about a young teenager named Alex Rider, who is recruited by MI6, the British version of the C.I.A. Alex has to try and figure out what Herod Sayle, a famous Indian designer, is doing with a computer called Stormbreaker. MI6 thinks that Herod Sayle has something up his sleeve! It's Alex's mission to portray himself as Felix Lester, a computer nerd, to uncover the truth!

The only downside to this book was that the movie just wasn't that good! It's that kind of book that makes you want to read more. The author describes every character in a way you can easily picture them. I learned that there is an organization in England called MI6. The main theme in the book seems to be about all the ridiculous ways of risking your life. This book is good for 11 to 13 year olds, as it can be a little confusing, and you have to remember quite a lot.

This is similar to other books that I like, because it has a lot of action and adventure. I like the Alex Rider series, along with the Lorien Legacies series, and Harry Potter.



Rocco as a Reader

Whenever I have free time, I read - I am an active reader. I read every morning until breakfast!

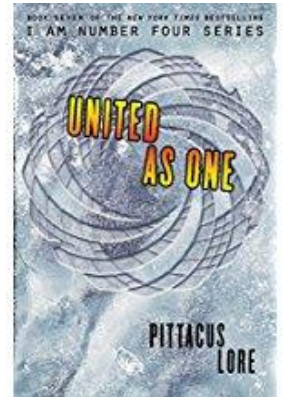
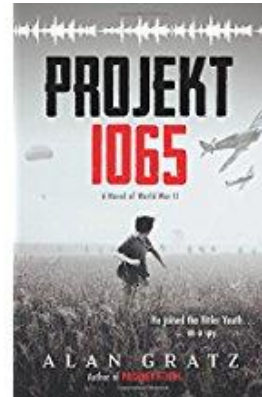
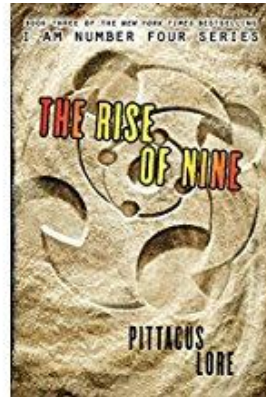
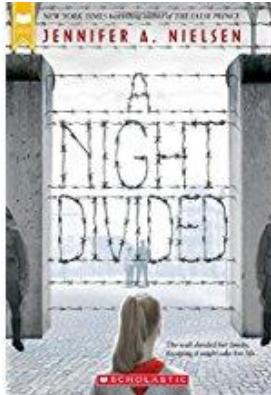
I like books that are constantly filled with action to keep me on the edge of my seat. I need a book that keeps surprising me or I stop reading it. I prefer action filled books with some awkwardness and comedy all mixed together.

Simon as a reader

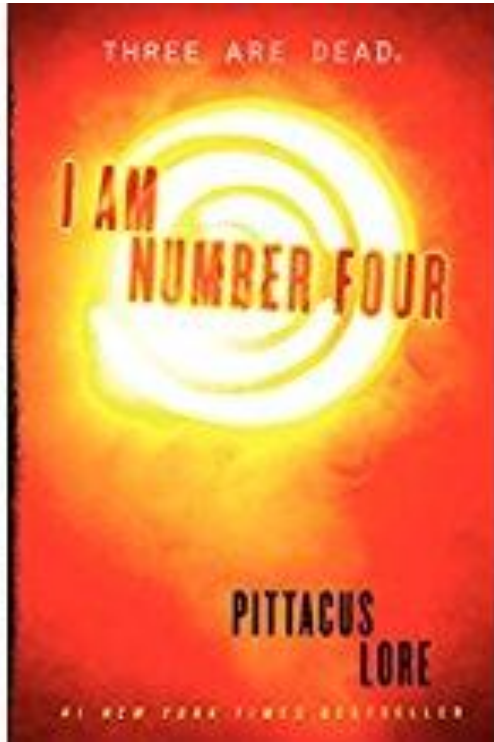
I love books. If a book is good, I would read it over most things. I read books pretty fast. I usually like a book that has fantasy, but not to much of it. I also like to have suspense, action and detail in my book but most of all, it has to be interesting. A book with more than 200 pages would appeal to me more. If I am reading a good book that I really like, I will read it for hours each day and finish it in about two days. My goal for the year was 30, and I read about 30 so I just made my goal.

Some other books I liked this year

- Projekt 1065
- The Rise of Nine
- United as One
- A Night Divided



Simon Hammarlunds book review



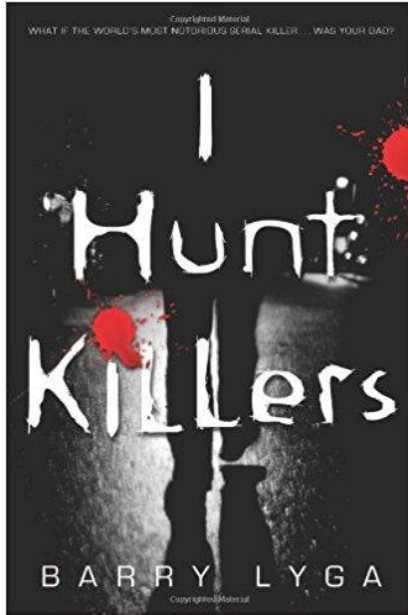
John is an alien. He is from the alien planet Lorian. But when the Mogadorians attacked his home planet he was one of the few who got away. The Mogadorians are aliens to and hate Lorian. When John escaped from the planet he was one of nine kids. On the ship that they escaped on there were 19 people, nine kids with numbers 1 through 9, there Cepans who are supposedly their parents, and the pilot of the ship. The people of Lorian are in two kinds, the Garde and the Cepan. The Garde get special powers as they get older and can only get killed on order from one to nine. When the Garde get to Earth after the year long trip from Lorian they are faced with the challenges of being on Earth. The Garde and their Cepans stay away from big crowds and trust nothing for fear of being captured by Mogadorians. I Am Number Four is from the perspective of a kid named John who is number four. John and his Cepan, Henry decide to move to Paradise, Ohio. At Paradise high school, John meets a dog who really loves him and soon John names him Bernie Kosar (BK). John also meets Sarah, a popular girl at paradise high and they really like each other. But will John be able to stay away from the Mogadorians and stay with Sarah?

I am number Four is a good book because it is full of action and is really fun to read. Right after I started reading the book I couldn't stop and I ended up finishing it in about two days. The author described the settings, John's home, Sarah's home, and school, in a way that makes it interesting to read. Also the scenes were described very well because you always knew what was happening. I would say that this book would be for fifth, sixth, and seventh grade. I would recommend this book to anyone and you should go home and read it right now. This book is one of 7 books and you should read them all.

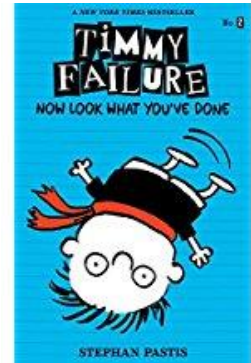
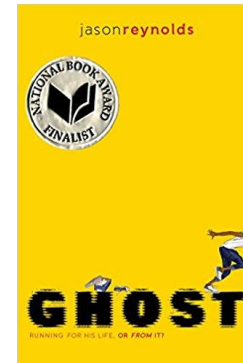
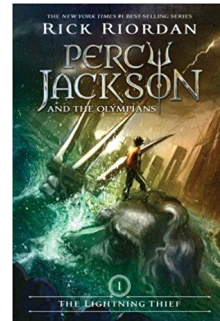
Bye: Luke Goff

I Hunt Killers

I Hunt Killers is about a kid called Jazz, whose father is a serial killer, having killed more than a hundred people. Jazz does not want to follow in his father's footsteps, even though his father raised him to kill. Luckily, his friends support him! The book takes place in modern times, in a city in America.



Me as a reader: I love to read and have read about 60 books this year. My favorite books to read have lots of fighting, humor and cliff hangers. The books I read are also very long. My favorite books include Percy Jackson because of its cliff hangers and fighting. Another one of my favorite books is Timmy Failure because of its humor. Another one is Ghost because of its awesome cliffhangers. Finally, my all time favorite is I Hunt Killers. I liked this book because of its cliffhangers and mysteries.





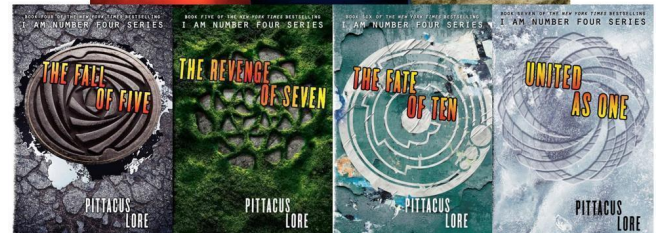
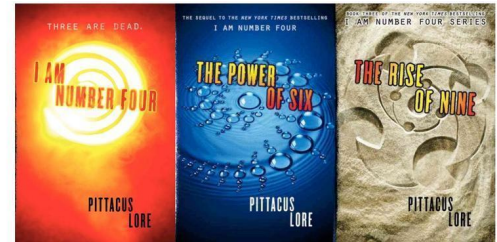
DAY HAS BEEN THE MOST WANTED CRIMINAL IN THE REPUBLIC FOR YEARS, ABLE TO SCALE A FIVE STORY BUILDING IN EIGHT SECONDS. JUNE HAS BEEN A PRODIGY IN THE REPUBLIC, ONE OF THEIR BEST, SMARTEST SOLDIERS. JUNE HAS BEEN HUNTING DAY. DAY KILLED HER BROTHER, A CAPTAIN FOR THE REPUBLIC, WHILE TRYING TO ESCAPE A REPUBLIC HOSPITAL IN HOPE TO FIND CURES FOR HIS FAMILY WHO HAS THE PLAGUE. DAY'S FAMILY THINKS HE IS DEAD. NO ONE KNOWS DAY'S IDENTITY. DAY IS THE HARDEST FUGITIVE TO CATCH IN THE REPUBLIC, TO BE KILLED ON SIGHT. IN A SEARCH TO FIND DAY, JUNE ALMOST DIES. DAY SAVES HER. SHE STAYS WITH HIM, LACKING THE KNOWLEDGE THAT THE BOY SHE HAS BEEN HUNTING FOR YEARS IS RIGHT IN FRONT OF HER. THERE ARE TWO SIDES, THE REPUBLIC AND THE COLONIES. THIS USED TO BE AMERICA. NOW IT'S A WAR.

THE LEGEND TRILOGY IS PROBABLY MY FAVORITE SERIES. IT IS FILLED WITH ACTION, ADVENTURE AND TURNS AFTER EVERY PAGE. THE STORY IS AMAZING AND YOU WILL NEVER SUSPECT ALL THE TWISTS THAT HAPPEN. IT IS SET IN A DYSTOPIAN AND FUTURISTIC TIME, WHERE AMERICA IS SPLIT INTO TWO SIDES. THE TWO SIDES ARE AT WAR, AND THERE ARE PLAGUE OUTBREAKS EVERYWHERE. THE STORY SWITCHES PERSPECTIVES. DEFINITELY A PAGE TURNER AND MADE ME NOT WANT TO PUT IT DOWN. YOU SHOULD DEFINITELY READ THIS BOOK!

WHO I AM AS A READER

I LOVE TO READ. I LOVE BOOKS WITH LOTS OF SUSPENSE, AND TWISTS THAT YOU NEVER SEE COMING. I MOSTLY READ SCI FI, FUTURISTIC AND DYSTOPIAN BOOKS. I LIKE LOTS OF ACTION IN A BOOK, AND GOOD DETAILS THAT MAKE ME FEEL CONNECTED TO THE CHARACTERS AND GET ME REALLY ENGROSSED AND INTO THE BOOK. I USUALLY READ ABOUT AN HOUR EVERY DAY, 20 MINUTES AT SCHOOL, AND 30-40 MINUTES AT HOME. I ALSO READ A GOOD AMOUNT OVER THE WEEKENDS, AND WHEN I TRAVEL. IT TAKES ME ABOUT A WEEK OR TWO TO GET THROUGH A BOOK THAT IS AROUND 400 PAGES, LESS IF ITS A REALLY GOOD BOOK.

OTHER BOOKS I LIKED THIS YEAR



Bryce as a reader

I like books that are mysteries and books that leave you on cliff hangers. I read for about 30 minutes at night and it takes me about 2 weeks to finish a book. I definitely surprised myself this year with how much I read. My goal was ten books and I am already past that goal.

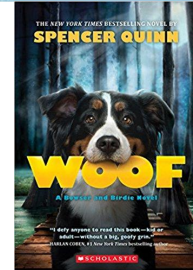
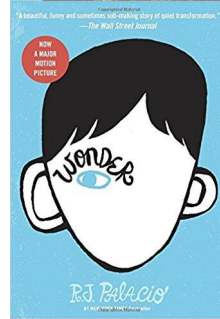
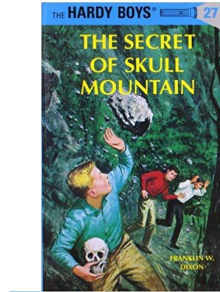
Book review

One of my favorite books was swindle. Griffin Bing is a regular 12 year old who doesn't want a house to get torn down so he sleeps in it with his friend Ben. While they are there, they snoop around and find a baseball card. They take it to a trader and he offers them \$200 for the card. After they sold the card, they find out it is worth 1 million dollars and that the trader had gyped them. So it's up to Griffin to get the card back and take down The crazy beast guarding the card.

This is a regular 5th or 6th grade book that is about tweens learning how to get what they desire no matter what happens. There's a lot of teamwork and commitment involved, also making friends. Overall, a great book for 6th graders.



- 1) Swindle
- 2) Wonder
- 3) Woof
- 4) Hardy boys





By: Jack Carbon
ALEX RIDER

Recommendation



Summary

Author: Anthony Horowitz

I thought that Alex Rider Stormbreaker was an amazing book because it really gave you a image of what you were reading and always had a surprise every page. The author did an amazing job of keeping you hooked and never losing your interest. One thing I learned from this is really how hard it must be to save the world, especially if you're not aloud to tell anyone about what you did. Being a spy has its ups and downs and a spy's life is a life of mystery.

If you like mystery and cliffhangers then you should read the Alex Rider series. A good age to read these books is 9-20 years of age. If you are ever looking for a book with action and secrets then the Alex Rider series is a great book for you.

Alex Rider had been a normal kid all of his life, right up until he was 13 and his uncle Ian Rider died in a so-called car crash. After his Uncle died, things started to change. He was recruited by MI6 and was sent all over the world to save thousands of lives. Every time he thought he was finished with being a spy, he would just end up in the office of MI6 being told his next mission.

LAINA AS A READER! :D

I am a very slow reader and I find it hard to pick books I like. So for me I really like romance, mystery, fantasy and sometimes horror. Now this is my opinion, but I don't really like long books and historical fiction. So here are some books I really enjoyed and hope you like to!

SUMMARY

“Everything, Everything,” by Nicola Yoon is about a girl named Maddy, whose unable to leave her house because of a deadly illness. When a boy named Olly moves in next door, they become inseparable. She puts her life on the line, risking everything for their love. Little does she know, her life has all been a lie...

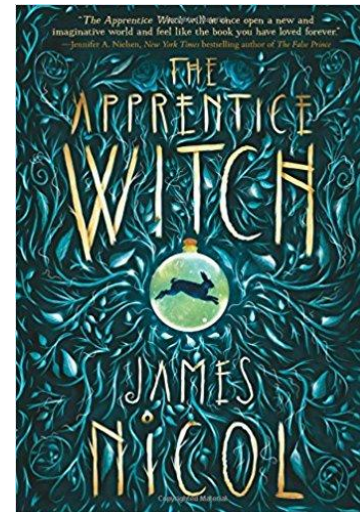
I really did enjoy “Everything, Everything.” I have no bad things I have to say about the book. I learned about the illness Baby Bubble disease. I think that this book is suitable for kids over the age of 11 years, as it can be graphic at times. Also “Everything, Everything,” is similar to the book, “The Sun is also a Star” because they have the same author.



MORE RECOMMENDATIONS!

Here are a few more good books I think you should try!
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1. The Apprentice Witch
2. R.I.P Eliza Heart
3. The Forgetting

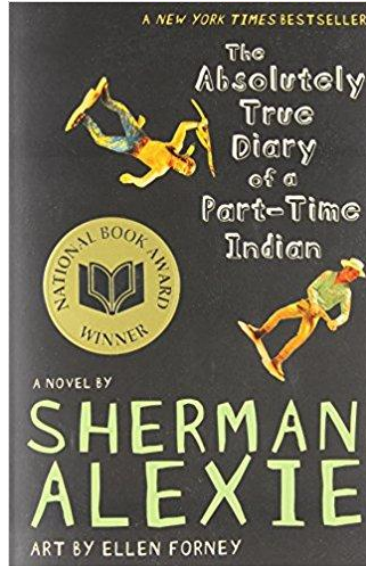


**THE ABSOLUTELY TRUE DIARY OF A
PART TIME INDIAN BY SHERMAN
ALEXIE**

BY AXEL ABRAMS

AXLE AS A READER:

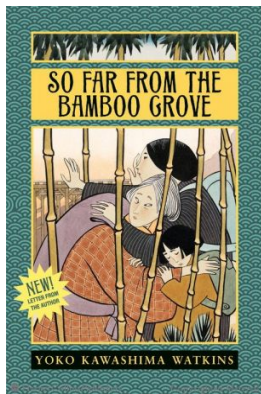
I AM NOT THE BIGGEST READER BUT IF I DO FIND A GOOD BOOK, I LOVE TO READ. FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN I READ THE ABSOLUTELY TRUE DIARY OF A PART TIME INDIAN, I WAS COMPLETELY FOCUSED THE WHOLE TIME I WAS READING. MY GOAL WAS TO READ 10 BOOKS THIS YEAR, I READ 5. MY FAVORITE WAS THE ABSOLUTELY TRUE DIARY OF A PART TIME INDIAN.



BOOK REVIEW:

IN THIS BOOK THE MAIN CHARACTER (ARNOLD OR JUNIOR) IS AN INDIAN FROM THE SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION. HE IS VERY POOR. HE GETS PICKED ON BY ALMOST EVERYONE EXCEPT HIS BEST FRIEND ROWDY. ROWDY HAS ALWAYS BEEN HIS ONLY AND BEST FRIEND, UNTIL NOW. JUNIOR HAS DECIDED TO LEAVE THE REZ TO ATTEND AN ALL-WHITE SCHOOL IN THEIR NEIGHBORING TOWN. THIS HAS CAUSED ROWDY AND JUNIOR'S FRIENDSHIP TO END.

THIS BOOK IS VERY FUNNY, ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SOME SAD POINTS. THE AUTHOR DID A GREAT JOB OF CREATING A CONFLICT AND A RESOLUTION. SOME QUALITIES THAT JUNIOR HAS ARE DRIVE AND AMBITION. I WOULD RECOMMEND THIS BOOK TO ANYONE FROM MIDDLE SCHOOLERS TO ADULTS. THIS BOOK WAS VERY UNIQUE.



Maia as a Reader

I like to read. I like books that are action-packed and adventurous. When I'm looking for a book, I look for historical fiction, world issues, or sci-fi. I read before bed every night as a way to calm down. I read for 20-60 minutes. On average, I read 1-3 books per week. In the beginning of the year, my goal was 30 books. Halfway through, I changed it to 60. Right now, I've logged 61 books. I think I've read more, but I don't write every book down. This year I surprised myself. I tried a lot of new books and liked them!

A Night Divided

By: Jennifer A. Nielsen

August 16, 1961. Twelve year-old Gerta is living in Germany. Her father and middle brother, Dominic have just gone west in search of work. That leaves her mother and eldest brother Fritz at home in the East. Gerta can't wait for her father and Dominic to come home; she's counting down the days. Then, overnight the Berlin Wall goes up, leaving her, Fritz, and her mother trapped in the East, and her father and Dominic in the West. One day, Gerta sees her father pantomiming a mysterious dance. Gerta tries to piece together what it means, but she can't. However, after she receives a drawing, Gerta decides that her father wants her and Fritz to tunnel under the wall. During the dig, Gerta and Fritz have a close encounter with a Nazi. Fritz wants to stop digging. Gerta wants to continue. Will Gerta and her family ever make it to freedom? Read the book to find out.

I finished this book in 1 day. That's how good it was. The story is so captivating, you can't take your eyes off the page. The author does a really great job of taking a horrible time in history, and creating a powerful story that doesn't give you nightmares. After reading this book, I feel like I realize how awful and hard it was to live during that time, especially as a child. I would recommend this book to kids ages 10+. I say this because there are some intense parts and the overall theme is a deep and complicated subject.

My top 7 books:

1. [A Night Divided](#)
2. [So Far From the Bamboo Grove](#)
3. [All We Have Left](#)
4. [Kalahari](#)
5. [Projekt 1065](#)
6. [The Bitter Side of Sweet](#)
7. [Salt to the Sea](#)

MAZE RUNNER

The main character Thomas woke up in a mysterious elevator one day. He had no memories of his past. The elevator brings him to the center of a maze where there are a group of boys. None of them had an idea why they were placed in the center of the maze. Thomas was put into a world that he didn't understand. And now he has to figure a way out of the maze. Thomas has to figure out the rest of the maze and do not go out when the walls shut.

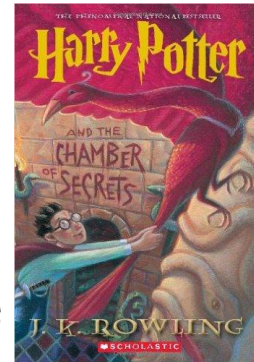
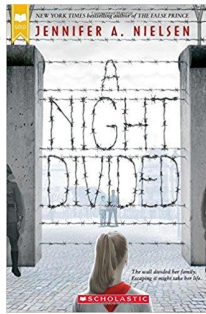
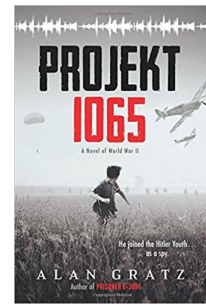
The Maze Runner is a good book series for people that like fiction or science fiction and mazes. It's good for ages 10 and up. People who should avoid reading this book are people who do not like that death and people that do not like diseases.

By Evan

PROJEKT 1065

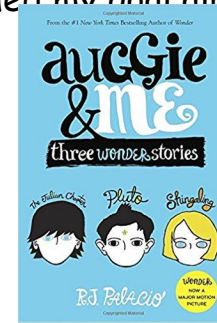
Projekt 10-65 takes place during World War 2 and is about an Irish boy named Michael whose family are spies. Michael joined the Hitler Youth as a spy, and when he hears that a British plane crashes somewhere, he goes off to find the pilot. On Michael's journey he meets a friend named Fritz who has the plans for a new fighter plane. Michael needs to get the fighter plans and safely return them to the British. But there's a problem: his friend Fritz joins a special team that is going to assassinate somebody. Will Michael find the pilot? Will Michael get the fighter plans? Find out by reading Projekt 10-65.

You should read Projekt 10-65 if you like historical fiction. What's great about Projekt 10-65 is that you always want to know what happens next. The author did great at creating a picture of what's going on. I learned that kids in Germany during World War 2 joined the Hitler Youth. If you are 11-13 you would like and understand this book. Another book like Projekt 10-65 is A Night Divided.



QUINN CATHEY AS A READER

I kind of like reading. I will read a lot when I have a good book. A good book for me is a historical fiction book. The time I spend reading is right before I go to sleep. It takes me about one minute to read a full page. I spend a total of 10-20 minutes of reading each day, but sometimes when I'm at a good part I will read for an hour. My goal for reading this year was 10 books, and I reached my goal already.



Lillian as a reader

I don't like to read, reading is sort of.... Eh boring? Sometimes if I find a good book that has the following:

- Little bit of action.
- Not a lot of love.
- Humor
- Little bit of drawings or pretty decorations.

And....

- A pretty title name :) or good interesting back discription or interesting word choice.

maybe I will read it :))))))

I read in school mostly, rarely, sometimes at home, and I go through books very quickly, I turn them back in the next day if they are:

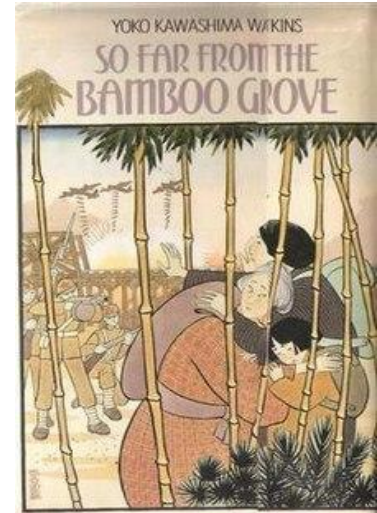
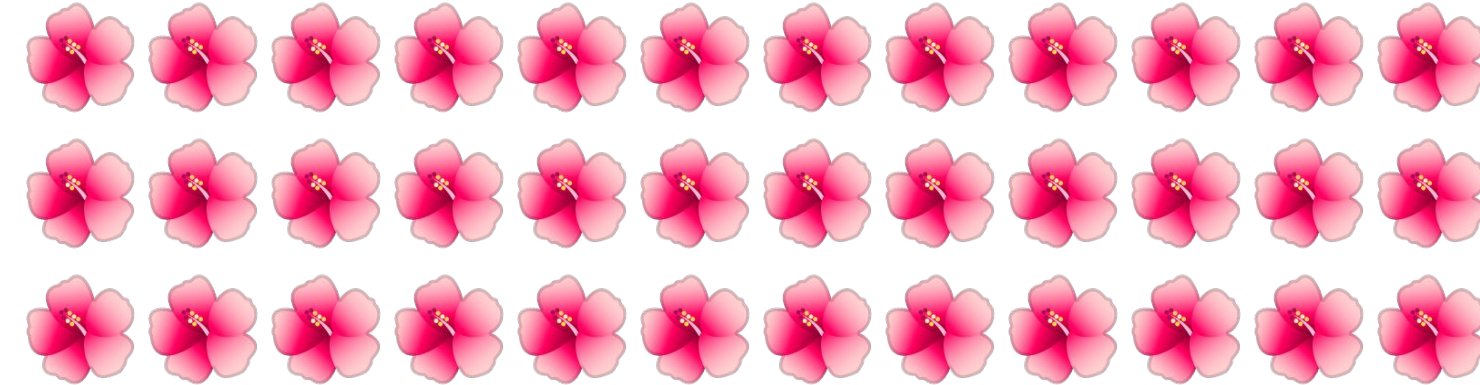
- Boring
- Too long
- Or gross.....

I don't really read for long sometimes...

Since I'm a really bad reader, I told myself I should read at least... 3 books this year. I have read more than 3, I have read 10, COUGH COUGH. Overall, I'm not too good at sticking with a book for long.

Yoko is a Japanese girl living in Korea. She has to leave her home in Korea to go Seoul, Japan because Japan has lost the war and the Koreans want anyone who is Japanese to leave their country. It's a horrible journey because she is just a little kid and her sister has to keep pushing her to keep going. She had to shave her head and put on a soldier's clothes to look like she's a boy in the army. Will she make it there?

I enjoyed this book because it was very interesting to learn about some of the things that happen in the world. I have sympathy for the main character, and what she goes through in the story. The author makes it easy to see the world in the book, and I could imagine everything that was happening. I learned about things I would never want to experience like having no food, and being on a train with many sick people. This book shows you what life is like after war, including the sadness of families being separated. This book, I think, is suitable for sixth graders and up because death and violence are themes within the book. I haven't read any other book like this, and normally I don't like books about war, but this was okay.

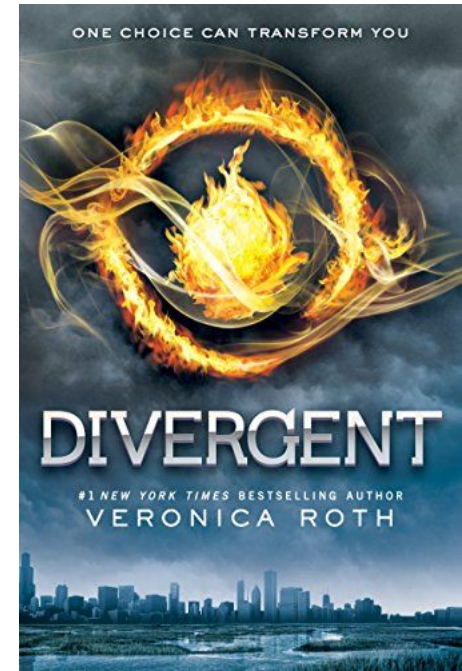


Olympia as a Reader

I like to read many different books, but I normally like to read dystopian books. They are very interesting and can be about a lot of different things. I like action packed books that you can't put down and that have a good amount of deep thinking. I don't like books with predictable endings. I like to be surprised. I like a good amount of bloodshed or violence. When there is some loss it makes the book so much more interesting. I really like to read, I normally read 1-2 hours a day, unless a book is really good, then I read 1-6 hours a day. I love books and I would rather binge a book then binge a TV show.

Book Recommendations

- Legend
- Partials
- Allegiant
- Insurgent
- Twilight
- Fragments
- Champion
- The Young Elites
- Prodigy
- New Moon
- Breaking Dawn



Divergent

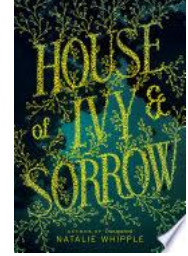
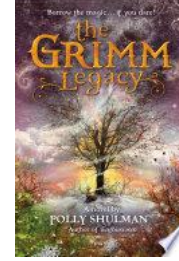
16 year old Beatrice Prior was living an ordinary life in the Abnegation sector in the city of Chicago. She hated it, always having to be polite and having to be selfless. When she takes the test to see what sector she should be in, something goes wrong. She finds out she is a Divergent. She doesn't know what she is, all she knows is that she can fit into many different sectors. There are five choices: Abnegation (the charitable or selfless), Amity (the nice), Candor (the honest or straight forward), Dauntless (the brave), and Erudite (the smart). She can't stay in Abnegation, and the only choice left after weighing the options is Dauntless. Will she survive the initiation? She didn't realize what would be waiting for her at Dauntless. When Tris falls for the Dauntless initiation instructor, she puts herself in more danger than she already was. The Erudite, who seem to hate the Abnegation, are planning something that could corrupt Chicago and kill thousands. What is Tris going to do? Will she save her beloved city?

This series is amazing although Insignificant and the beginning and ending of Allegiant are very chaotic. The ending of Allegiant isn't what you are expecting. It takes a turn that kept me up all night thinking about the last 100 pages. After reading this book I couldn't help but read the rest of the series, it was so good. The Adventure and mystery that would give you a rush of adrenaline, was desirable and would make you come back for more. The reckless love of the main characters made you hungry for more and would keep you up all night. This book is very similar to the Hunger Games, to The Partial series, and to the Legend series. I love this book. I couldn't put the book down. The ending is amazing and will make you crave for more. I learned that you should be yourself no matter what other people think and that what you think matters, so don't care what other people think. 11-16 years old will love this book. This is a great dystopian book series. I found out there was a add on called Four. I got so excited I almost had a heart attack. When I finished all of the Divergent books, I was crying for days on end about the shocking ending of Allegiant. I loved Divergent, and I loved the rest of the series even more. I hope you read and love Divergent as much as me.

Nahani as a reader...

I like to read for two to three hours a day. My goal for this year was thirty books, and I have reached thirty-five so far! I look for adventure, and, well, a little bit of everything in books. I don't like reading about a guy lying on the couch, there has to be some excitement! I also like long books, not quick reads, so it has to be around 300 pages. If not I will finish it in a day. Other than that I don't really care.

“The Hunger Games” Book Review



SUMMARY

The Hunger Games, by Suzanne Collins is about a young woman called Katniss, who chooses to fight in the Hunger Games, a gruesome fight-to-the-death game, in place of her sister who was selected involuntarily. Peeta, a boy in the same sector, is also ‘chosen’ and becomes Katniss’s partner. There are twelve sectors, a boy and girl from each sector, totaling 24 competitors. In order for Katniss is to win, and well really survive, she has to make difficult choices between survival against humanity, and life against love.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend this book because it always keeps you on the edge of your seat. Each page there is a new secret unlocked! The author describes the characters and the settings in a way that made me feel like I was there. I learned from reading this book that friendship is the strongest weapon out there... One of themes in this book is love conquering hate. For kids older than 11, and those who like reading action-packed books will love this book! This book is different to other books because it gives each character very unique details, and you can really imagine who they are as a person. In addition to The Hunger Games, I recommend The Knowing, Grimms Legacy, House of Ivy and Sorrow and The War That Saved My Life.

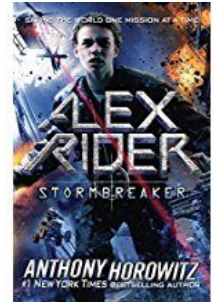
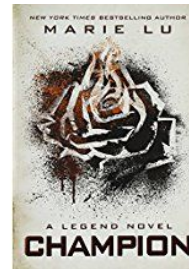
Legend

June is the top prodigy for the Republic. Day is the most wanted criminal by the Republic. In this futuristic society, June has always dreamed of being in the Republic. When her brother dies, they blame it on Day, and she goes to capture him. When she finds him she realizes what actually happened and falls in love with Day, eventually she has to make a decision betray her love Day or betray the ones she's always trusted the Republic.

Legend is an awesome interesting action-packed book that you can't put down. This is either the best book I ever read or close. If you like books that are full of action this is a book for you. It also has some romance, but it's mostly action. It's a good mixture of both. I also liked how it was in both Day and June's perspectives, so you could get both of their opinions. This book was well-written; the author did a good job of going back in forth between action and detail. The book is in a series, but this is the best one.

Cole as a Reader

I like to read a wide variety of books. In a book I look for something that's action packed and interesting. I read at school for about 25 minutes and sometimes at home for an average of 30 minutes. It takes me about 2 to 3 weeks to finish a book. This year I surprised myself, I read a lot more this year than past years. My goal was 15 and I have already read 19. My favorite book so far was Legend. Three others have been Prodigy, Champion, and the Alex Rider series.

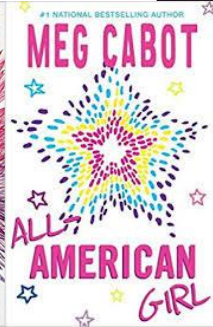
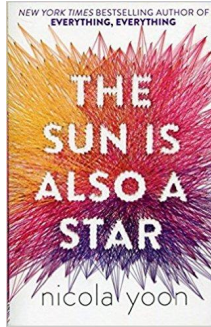
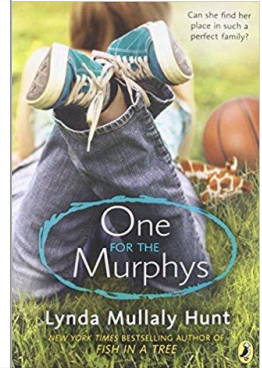
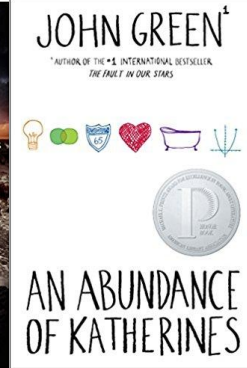
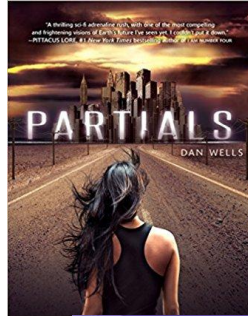


Georgia as a reader

I am an avid reader. I like to read 2-4 hours a day, if I'm lucky. I normally love to read realistic fiction, but some of my favorite books this year were from the sci-fi genre. I also read some AMAZING dystopian books this year. What makes a good book for me is if it is action packed, contains some bloodshed, and has a little bit of romance. Also if most of the chapters end in a cliffhanger, it makes me want to keep reading. My all time favorite series I read this year is the partials series. It is in the sci-fi genre, and it is dystopian. It contains bloodshed, romance, and it is absolutely action packed. I LOVED this book series!!

Best books I read this year:

1. **Partials Series**
2. **An Abundance of Katherines**
3. **One for the Murphys**
4. **The Sun is Also a Star**
5. **All American Girl**
6. **Teen Idol**



An Abundance Of Katherines By John Green

Colin and Hassan are best friends, but they have some big differences. Colin is a prodigy, (who is working on a theorem that will prove that all relationships are totally predictable) and Hassan is a big fun-loving dude. Also, Colin will only date (and get dumped by) girls with the name Katherine. So when Colin gets dumped for the 19th time by a Katherine, Hassan decides that it is time for a change. Instead of going to smart-kid camp the summer after he graduates high school, Colin is going on a road trip with Hassan. They end up in a place called Gutshot, Tennessee. There he meet Lindsay and Hollis, who are daughter and mother, (but it's a miracle they live under the same roof). Hosslis gives them both (well paying) jobs, so they decide to stay there.

This book really emphasizes on the fact that life is NOT predictable, and that sometimes, looks are not the only thing that matters. But as much as this book has great morals, I would not recommend this for your fourth grade sibling. If you like books that are funny, contain some romance, a little bloodshed, and are a fan of Sarah Dessen and Meg Cabot, then this is the book for you! But if you liked most of the other books by John Green, this might not be the book for you, because it is not like most of his other books. Aka: no one dies.

Who I am as a reader

I like books that put me on the edge of my seat and are action packed. I kind of like reading , but it depends what book I'm reading. I read at school and about half an hour to 45 minutes a day. I read at night and during the day. It normally takes me about 2 in a half weeks of non-stop reading to finish a 300 page book. My reading goal this year was 15 books, but I actually read 12 books. I surprised myself because normally I read about 5 books, but this year I read 12.

Titles of 3 other books I liked:

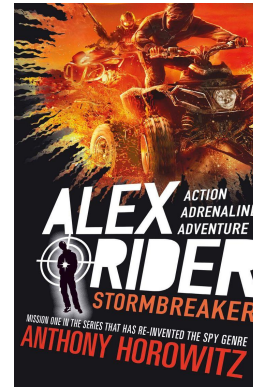
- 1 Point Blanc
- 2 Lemony Snicket
- 3 Jack and the Genuses

By Lucas

Stormbreaker

Alex Rider is the nephew of Ian Rider, a “Bank Manager.” One day the police came to Alex’s house telling him his uncle died in a car accident. Alex is told to go to the bank his uncle worked at, and finds out that his uncle was a spy for MI6. He finds out that his uncle did not die in a car accident someone killed him. So MI6 sends Alex to solve the murder of his uncle and solve the case his uncle started.

This book is good because you can’t predict what is going to happen next. The author made it easy to read without getting lost. Anyone interested in mysteries and action packed books would be interested in this book. I think this book is appropriate for 10 years old and older. I don’t think this book is similar to many other books I’ve read but in a good way. I think the theme is that even at younger age, you can do just as much as an adult.



Hunger Games

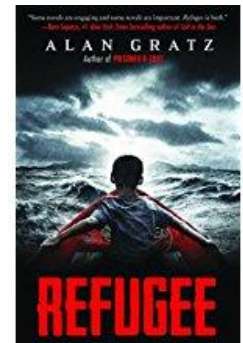
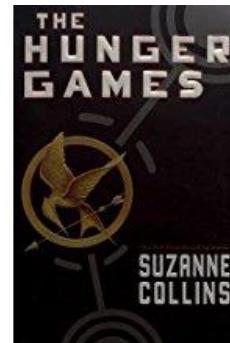
Katniss is an average 17 year old girl who dislikes the Capital. All she wants is to protect her family, but when she goes to the Hunger Games she has to kill and kiss her way to victory. With the harsh conditions and a drunk mentor it will be hard. Especially when they announce the biggest twist in over five decades. When she finds her ally and is in the final eight she will have to make one of the hardest decisions in her life.

Hunger Games is an interesting action packed book based on the future where there are 12 districts competing for food and natural resources. I think this is one of the best books I have ever read. The author did a good job of balancing out the action, detail, and dialogue. This story is good for 10 plus year olds and is very creative. If you have read Legend, then I think you will really like this book.

Nate Story as a Reader

I like to read. What makes a good book for me is when it's interesting and action packed.

I read in school for 25 minutes, on the bus for 15 minutes, and at home for 20 minutes to an hour. It takes me 2-3 weeks to read a book. My goal of how many books to read this year was 15 and I have read 23, (on my 24th). And I did surprise myself a little because I read more than I thought I would read. My favorite book I read this year was Legend. I also liked Prodigy, Champion, Hunger Games, Catching Fire, Refugee and the Alex Rider series.





WONDER BY ALYSSA

August is a new kid that had a messed up face and he never went to school before and his mom home schools him. Then he said that he does not want to go to school, but then he wants to go to school. How will things work out for him at school?

I like the book because he made a friend and his friends were his bodyguards.

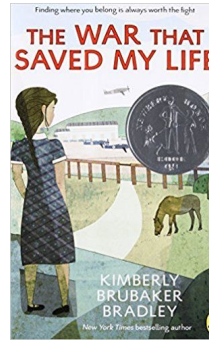
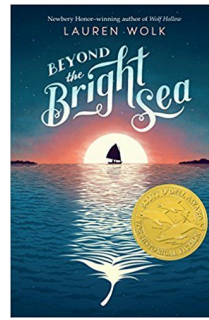
I learned that no matter what, even if you have a deformed face, do not be afraid to do anything.

Teens and kids would like to read this book.



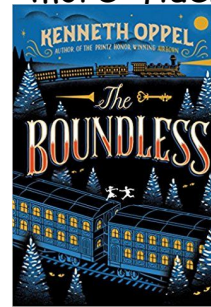
[Beyond the Bright Sea](#) is about a girl named Crow, who washes up in Cuttyhunk on a skiff when she is an infant. An old man, who she later nicknames Yoshi, finds her and raises her, with the help of Miss Margaret. Years later, she tries to figure out where she is from and who her real family is. Along the way, she runs into a man, capable of murder, who makes it very difficult for her! By the end of the book, she realizes that Yoshi and Miss Margaret are all she really needs!

This book has a very interesting plot, especially as it is in our local neighborhood. It is set during the whaling era, so I learned how different life was then than it is today. The author painted pictures of the characters and the surroundings. The theme that I found most interesting in this book is that family can come from anywhere. I suggest this book to anyone who likes adventure!



Clara as a reader

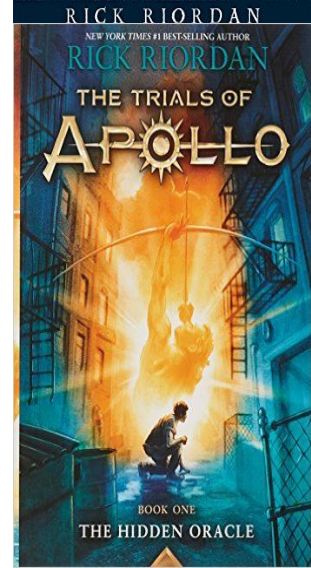
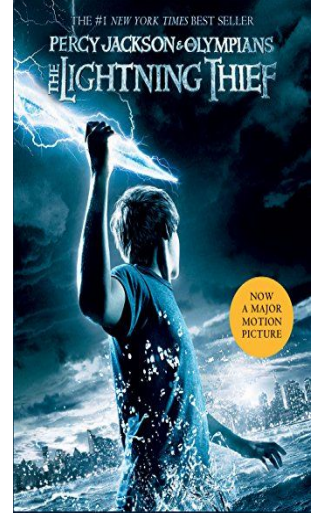
As a reader I like a book that is exciting, but not violent. It also has to have a plot that makes sense, and it can't jump around. When I find a good book, I will read it every chance I get, but if it is confusing or I don't like the book, I will just abandon it. I definitely impressed myself as a reader because I used to dislike reading, but this year I read more as my reading became more fluent



“Booked,” is an interesting read as I always enjoy when someone recovers from something terrible. The author included poems in the book, which I didn’t like so much, but I liked they the author only made the beginning and some parts poems.



I don’t like reading a lot unless it is a good book, and a good book for me is a book that is about a fictional thing, but with a realistic plot. I read every night before I go to bed for about forty five minutes, unless it is too late and I am tired. I read in school too, if I remember too bring my book. My goal for books read this year was thirty, but I only read eighteen. Hopefully I get thirty books read next year. I surprised myself this year because last year I only read about five books.



Martian by, Andy Weir

Mark Watney has a very funny sense of humor. Most of the time his jokes are not that appropriate, but they sure are funny. Most of the book takes place in space, because there was a sandstorm and his friends thought he was dead. So he has to survive until they can figure something out.

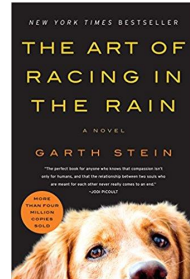
Some things I loved about this book was that, even though there wasn't that much to do in space, the author still kept me interested. It's funny, and that's all that really matters. I recommend this book to 6th graders or older because of his language and his jokes.

Overall, I loved this book, because of Mark Watney and his sense of humor!!



Other book I liked:

The Art of Racing in the Rain

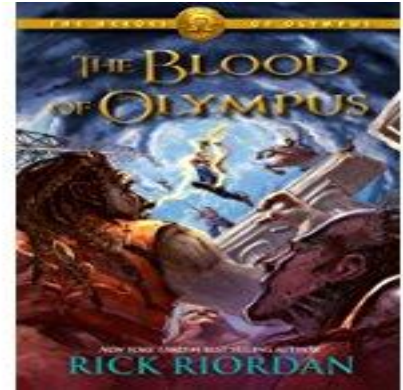
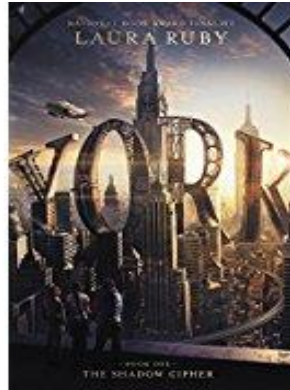
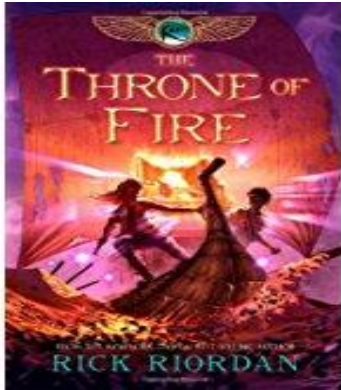


Parker as a Reader...

I am not a fast reader, but not a slow one. I do not like to read. I would rather go outside and play basketball or soccer. On the other hand, if the book is funny, has a lot of action, and the main character makes the wrong decisions all the time, I would definitely read it. You know I love to read at night, probably because I fall asleep quicker when I read before going to bed. My goal for the school year was to read 10-12 books, and I'm on my 10th right now. This surprised me because I am not the fastest reader.

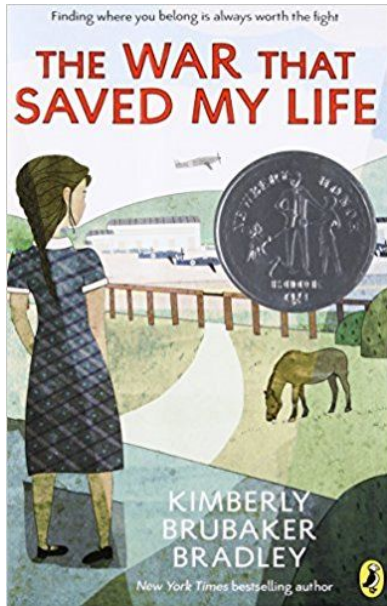
“The Throne of Fire,” by Rick Riordan is about two kids named Carter and Sadie who study the path of the gods. Carter studies Horis and Sadie studies Isis. It takes place in Brooklyn, and the conflict of the story is the need to defeat Apophis before the summer solstice.

I couldn't stop reading this book because it was so good! It had an interesting plot, filled with a lot of action, and there were some similarities between myself and one of the characters. I liked the dialogue between the characters, and the author created a really interesting plot.



I like to listen to books instead of read them. I like fiction, action, humor and stories with twists. I read at night and in class for 20 minutes a day. My goal this year was to read 10 books and I read 16. My favorite book this year was from the same series, “The Blood of Olympus”.

I like to read. I like sad books the most, but I will read pretty much any book. I don't usually abandon books. I like to read them all the way through. I like to read whenever I have free time. I also like to read for long periods of time.



In the War That Saved My Life, the main character is Ada, a girl who lives with her mom. Her mom is very mean to her, and she doesn't let Ada go outside because of Ada's twisted foot. When a war breaks out, she and her sister go to live with Susan, in the country, even though Susan doesn't want her or her brother. Ada learns to ride horses, write, read and sew. Ada, Susan and Ada's brother Jamie, learn to love each other and be a family, but will they be able to stay together when there is a war raging around them?

The War That Saved My Life was a good book because it was adventurous and exciting. The author, Kimberly Bradley, was good at telling how Ada was feeling. You will like this book if you like books about animals, adventure and families.

I also liked the books: *Mango Shaped Space*, *The Underneath* and *Hour Of The Bees*.

By: Oona Carroll

Sydney as a reader:

I love to read. I mostly read fiction - all types of fiction but mostly realistic and fantasy. I only read a book if I like it. If I start it then get bored with it, I will abandon it and start a new one. I read all the time: on the bus, in school, in the car, on the plane, on holidays, weekends, in the summer, after school, before bed. Sometimes I am reading more than one book at once and sometimes I finish more than one book a week. My reading goal this year was 40 books, I read 62. But the year isn't over yet, so there is still time to read more.

Waiting for Normal

Addie is waiting for normal; her definition of normal is “Normal... is when you know what is going to happen next. Not exactly what, because probably nobody gets that. But *normal* is being able to count on certain things. Good things. And it's having everyone together- just because they belong that way.” Addie's mom has an all or nothing approach to life - a food fiesta or an empty pantry. All or nothing will never be normal or bring Addie to home where she wants to be, with her step dad and two half sisters.

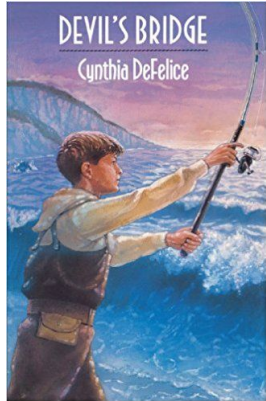
If you liked *One for the Murphys* then I strongly suggest this read. Addie is a very strong character full of hope, spunk and perseverance. I think we can all learn from Addie to make the best of a hard situation.

Other books I recommend:

- Out of my mind
- Ugly
- Wonder
- Models don't eat chocolate cookies
- Speak
- Counting by sevens
- 100 days
- Silent to the bone
- The heroes of olympus series
- When you reach me
- A mango shaped space
- (George)
- Graceling
- One for the Murphys

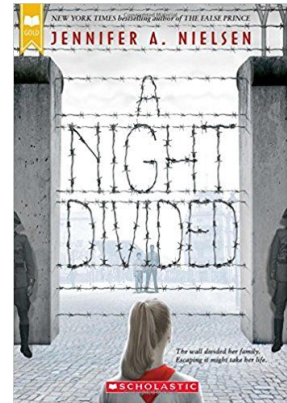
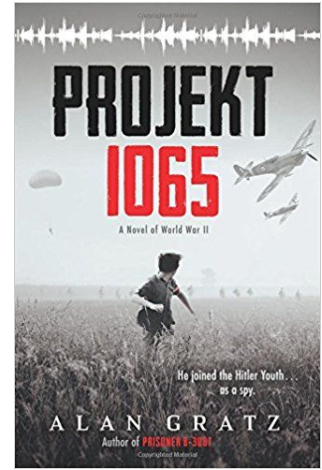
Tegan as Reader

I like reading when I find a good book. I'm a very picky reader and often abandon a book. I love historical non-fiction, fishing books, and books about the world. I can not read a very long book because I get bored of them quickly; my max. is 400 pages. My goal this year was seven books, and I only read six, but I still have a month of school left!



My favorite book I have read this year is Devil's Bridge. The reason that I love Devil's Bridge so much is that it's about fishing on the island in the 1950s. I liked how it was set on the Island, and the time period interests me. It is also a quick read that I really enjoyed. However the second book Death at Devil's Bridge is not as good and I stopped midway. Two other books that I really liked are Projekt 1065 and A Night Divided.

Devil's Bridge: Ben Daggett is a 12 year old boy who lost his father to the sea. He and his father had a great relationship and bonded over fishing. When the Derby begin Ben was eager to win, but when he caught two people cheating by putting mercury into a striper, he has to prove to the judges that they cheated. But he finds out something even greater than winning.



Peter as a reader

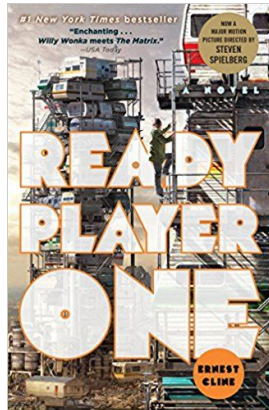
Honestly I don't really like to read. This year I read 8 books, double what my goal was. I read when I need to or when I am **REALLY** bored - a few minutes at night before bed and when there is independent reading in ELA. I like the books that have comedy, action, and suspense.

Ready Player One By Ernest Cline

The book Ready Player One is about a kid named Wade. He lives in the future where people live in stacks of RVs and they have virtual reality called the oasis. The maker of the oasis called James Halliday made an "Easter egg hunt." Whoever finds the egg is given full control of the oasis and all of Halliday's fortune. Wade - also known as Parzival in the oasis - wanted to find the egg, but IOI - also known as the Sixers by the Gunters (egg-hunters) - wanted it , so the final 5 (the first 5 on the leaderboard) tried to get it first, then the whole oasis sets off on a mad egg hunt.

The book was great it is filled with action and comedy. I guarantee you will laugh. It is great for people who want to be on the edge of their seats while laughing. There is some profane language, but I would say it would be good for any one 6th grade and up.

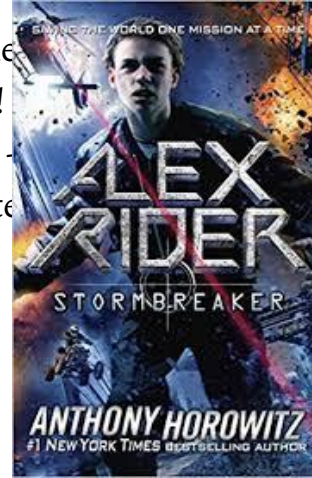
TOP 3 BOOKS: #1 Ready Player One #2 Holes #3 Scorpia



Stormbreaker

Stormbreaker is about a boy called Alex Rider whose uncle supposedly died in a car accident. Yet he knows that this is a lie! Nothing prepares him for the truth: his uncle was a spy for MI6 - Britain's top-secret intelligence agency. Now Alex must complete the mission that his uncle started. Does Alex get his revenge? Does he finish his uncles mission? Read Stormbreaker and the series to find out.

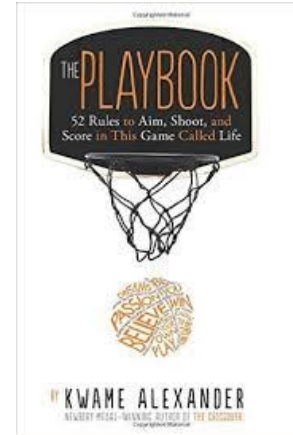
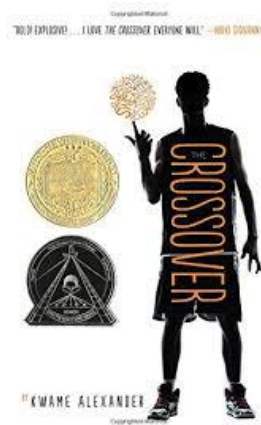
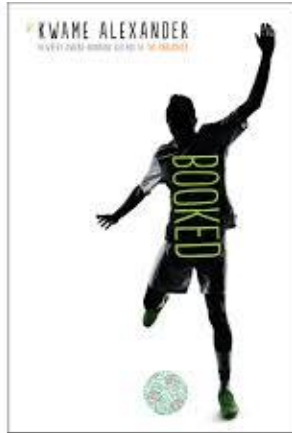
This is a good book for people who like action, non stop suspense and lots of mystery. This is exciting and I had lots of fun reading it.



Who I am as a reader

I do not like to read, but I like books with mysteries and a lot of action. If they're bad I will abandon them and find a new book. I move slowly through books, but try to read as much as I can. My goal was to finish one book this year, but I read 7 books in 6th grade. I surprised myself with how many I read. I thought I was only able to read 5, but I was able to read 7.

Other books I enjoyed



Project 1065 by Alan Gratz

It is World War II and Michael O, Shannessy is in the Hitler Youth, but he is a undercover spy for the rebellion. When he is in Nazi class he meets a kid named Fritz and Michael and Fritz become good friends in school. One day Fritz showed him a blueprint for the new Nazi jet fighter planes that could help the Nazis win the war if they got the plans back. Michael's job is to get those plans to the rebellion, but there are a lot of obstacles in the way. Will he manage to succeed?

This book was a really good book because it is realistic fiction and has a lot of mystery in it and taught me about the Hitler Youth. People who like mystery, action, historical fiction, and books about wars will love this book. Michael is in a really dangerous spot because if the Nazis catch him they will send him to a concentration camp to die.



Huck as a reader:

I like to read when I find a good book, but when I don't find a good book I don't like to read. A good book for me is a book that is realistic fiction and has a lot of action in it - usually a book based on a war. I read when I am on a plane, before I go to bed, and at home sometimes. I usually spend 20 to 45 minutes reading if I find a good book. When I read, I go semi-fast. My goal for the year was to read seven books and I read seven books.

Legends Book Choice - The Hunger Games

The main character in the Hunger Games is Katniss Everdeen. Katniss wants to keep her sister safe, so when her sister got picked to go in the Hunger Games, she took her spot. The Hunger Games are a form of punishment because Districts once rebelled against the Capitol. So now they have to send in 2 kids from each district to fight and kill the contestants from the other districts.

I like this book because it's semi-realistic. I could see this happening. I liked that there are books after this, so I read the entire series.

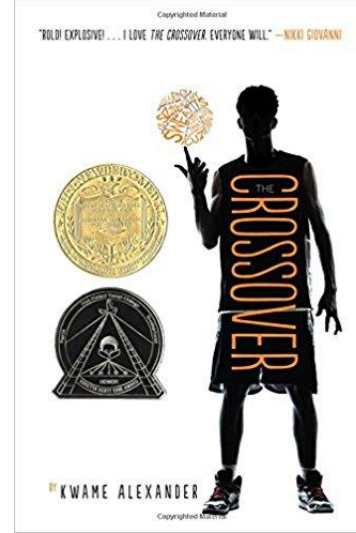
As a reader, I like books that are fictional. I like books that have a series because then I can keep reading on after the first story.



The Crossover

“The Crossover,” is a book about a kid named Josh who is a very good basketball player. He has a older brother named JB, who also plays on the same basketball team. In their play-off game Josh gets extremely mad at his brother and throws the ball at him, and JB falls to the floor! Will he make it to the championships? Will his brother forgive him?

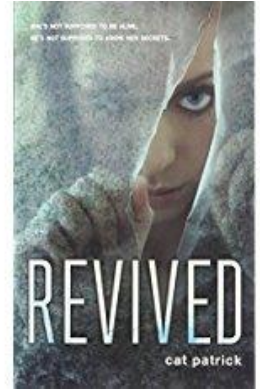
If you like Sports Fiction and lots of action you will love this book! I play basketball, and sometimes get a little mad at other players, including my brother, so this is a very relatable story! I liked the book, but thought that sometimes the author chose words that didn't fit with what the character was really feeling. I would not read this book if you are under 12, as there is some inappropriate language. Another book that I liked is “Booked”.



TY AS A READER I do not like to read, but if I have to I like to read spots action with around 300 pages. I only like to read before bed and at school. My book goal was 17 books, but I read 22 books. I surprised myself by how many books I read. The best book I read was crossover. 3 books I liked this year are Booked, Devil's Bridge and Death at Devil's Bridge.

Daisy Appleby is a teenage girl that lives a conflicted life. When she was five she was a test subject in a covert program that tests a drug called Revive. This drug brings people back from the grave. She has died and been revived five times. When she dies, she has to move and have, a different city, name and identity. When she dies for the fifth time she goes to a city in Kansas, and makes her first real friends, Matt and Audrey. She must escape the program if she wants to live a normal life. Will she succeed?

The book Revived is a very interesting, fast pace book. It has mystery, romance and action. This book is good for kids from the ages 10 and up. The author did a great job, but it could have had more in it. I felt like it was really short. She should continue this story in another book. This shows that friendship can change your view of life, death and love. It is a little mature, but it is a very good book overall.



Book recommendations



Jack T As a reader:

I enjoy to reading books that have mystery, action, fantasy and romantic comedy. Also what I look for in a book is it to have a convincing plot and that it is well organized. I would consider myself a quick reader; the first time I read a book it goes by slowly, but when I read it again it goes by much quicker. My goal for this year was to read fifty books, and I probably read a little over fifty. I read every night, as long as I can before I fall asleep.

As a reader I enjoy adventure, struggle and suspense. I also enjoy a good mystery. I didn't used to like to read, but now I enjoy reading a nice story. My goal was to read 10 books this year and I read 14, which means I beat my record. I read about 50 minutes a day at home and more at school.

Samantha warren

Other books

- 1. The Boundless
- 2. The Hunger Games
- 3. Wonder
- 4. Nimona

Harry potter is a young boy lives with his aunt and uncle and older cousin, Dudley. On his 11th birthday, Harry finds himself being whisked away to a school for witches and wizards. Before he gets there, a mysterious object is taken to Hogwarts like him. Along the way he meets Ron and Hermione, best friends through thick or thin. The three must find out who is trying to steal the mysterious package and stop them.

