

Grade 6 Suggested Summer Reading List

Catherine the Great by Katharine Scherman An ice palace in Moscow in summer? Villages built just for the Queen to visit? Visit Russia during the reign of one of the most powerful queens.

Popcorn* by James Stevenson Enjoy short poems in free verse about the ordinary things in life.

Misty of Chincoteague* by Marguerite Henry Spend some time at Pony Penning Day on Chincoteague Island. Will Paul and Maureen be able to adopt a wild foal to raise and train?

Indian Captive* by Lois Lenski This is a true story of Mary Jemison who was captured by Indians.

Henry Reed, Inc.* by Keith Robertson Follow in Henry's hilarious journal as he tries to make money through scientific research--raising rabbits, sending up pigeons on balloons, searching for truffles, etc.

My Side of the Mountain* by Jean George Sam Gibley runs away from home to try to live off the land in the Catskill Mountains. Could you survive a year alone, gathering food and making a home?

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry A Danish Jewish girl is saved from the Nazi soldiers by being smuggled out of the country to Sweden.

Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia by Margaret Cousins Printer, inventor, scientist, writer, postmaster--read about the many jobs Ben Franklin did in this Landmark biography.

The Wheel on the School by Meindert DeJong This rollicking tale in Shora, Holland tells of bringing storks back to the village. You will never forget the characters you meet: Jella, Janus, Lina, more.

Mountain Born by Elizabeth Yates Wolves, weather, a black lamb, a trusty dog--all are part of Peter's life on a mountain farm.

Diary of an Early American Boy by Eric Sloane Even if you only study the detailed illustrations in this book, you will learn much about how early Americans lived and worked.

Call It Courage by Armstrong Sperry Willl Mufatu be able to conquer his fears and the big shark?

Heidi by Johanna Spyri Try this classic story set in Switzerland and meet a dear grand-daughter, a feisty grandfather, shepherd Peter, a mean nanny, and poor crippled Clara.

Little Plum by Rumer Godden A gift of Japanese dolls leads to friendship and building a dollhouse.

The Seventeenth Swap by Eloise McGraw Eric does not understand why his little crippled neighbor Jimmy needs red cowboy boots, but he swaps and swaps while trying to earn the money to buy them.

Archimedes and the Door of Science by Jeanne Bendick A clever look at the history of science.

Li-Lun Lad of Courage by Carolyn Treffinger Because of his fear of the sea, a young Chinese boy is sent to a distant mountain where he proves his bravery.

Homeless Bird by Gloria Whelan After being widowed at 13, Koli of India learns to support herself.

The Good Master by Kate Seredy Hijinks, escapades, and family fun on a Hungarian farm years ago.

Arrow Over the Door by Joseph Bruchac Indians vs. settlers--there is a way to peace.

William Carey by Janet Benge Learn about one of the greatest missionaries to India.

* These books are from a series, and you may enjoy reading more books from the series.