

Confinement Reading in English **for Middle Schoolers**

Now a school tradition, the 6th graders in English for Native Speakers have compiled a list of great books. We read our books during spring vacation from the comfort of our own homes. We hope you enjoy them as much as we did!

- *The 6th Graders at the EA, April 2020*

Title: *A Swiftly Tilting Planet*

Author: Madeleine L'Engle

Rating: I would rate this book 4.5/5 stars. It's very interesting.

"This book is the third book in a series of 5 books, so I suggest you read the first two, or this book will make almost no sense. It's a long book, and the chapters are about 20 pages long, but otherwise it's a very good book that, mark my words, will surprise you. I recommend it for people who like science, suspense and surprise."

Malcolm, 6e6

Title: *When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit*

Author: Judith Kerr

Rating: I would give this book four stars out of five.

"I really liked this book, it's about a little girl who has to flee Berlin where she lives since her father is an anti-nazi writer. Some parts were a bit dull but it is non-fiction so the author couldn't have changed it. Still, it is a very interesting book and you might want to read the next book in the series (it's called *Bombs on Aunt Dainty*). I recommend it for people who like suspense."

Eloise 6e1

Title: *Wonder*

Author: R.J Palacio

Rating: I would give this book five stars out of five. It's an incredible book.

"This book makes you realize things about life you've always ignored. The chapters are short, about ten pages. I recommend it for people who like emotional and surprising books."

Chiara 6e5

Title: Little Women

Author: Louisa May Alcott

Rating: I would give this book 4.5 stars out of five. It's a wonderful book.

"I loved this book because it is about four sisters in the 19th century and it is really fun to read their troubles, worries, and passions. It is fun to read."

I recommend it for people who like action drama.

Charlotte 6e2

Title: The Boy in the Dress

Author: David Walliams

Rating: I would give this book 5 stars out of five. If you are looking for a funny book, read this one. It is a really wonderful book. Picture yourself being a girl just for one day... It is guaranteed to make you laugh-out-loud !

Eglantine 6e2

Title: Awful Auntie

Author: David Williams

Rating: I would rate this book 5 out of 5 stars. It's very exciting.

"This book is attractive because there's a lot of action and it is easy to understand. I recommend it for people who like suspense."

Gaia 6e5

Title: Divergent

Author: Veronica Roth

Rating: I would rate this book 5 out of 5 stars. There is a lot of action.

"This book is a dystopia. It's very captivating and stunning. There is a lot of suspense in the plot, which makes it fun and adventurous. I adored this book.

Valentine Baby 6e6

Title: Nancy Drew: The Hidden Staircase

Author: Carolyn Keene

Rating: I rate this book $\frac{3}{5}$. It's interesting but it's a bit boring.

"This is the second book of the series, but you can read them in any order. The plot is very interesting and original. This book was surprising."

Talia 6e6

Title: *Ghosts*

Author: Raina Telgemeier

Rating: ☆☆☆☆☆

“I recommend this book if you like mysteries. It’s in the form of a comic book with colourful images. The setting is in Spanish speaking California but the book is in English. The story is a bit gloomy but fun to read.”

Elsa 6°5

Title: *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*

Author: Jeff Kinney

Rating: I would rate this book 3.5 out of 5. It is fun but there’s no suspense.

“Diary of a Wimpy Kid is a fun book. The story is about a kid who talks about his feelings about school and about his family.”

Emilie 6e2

Title : *The Mysterious Benedict Society*

Author : Trenton Lee Stewart

Rating : I rate this book 4 out of five stars. It would be better with more humor.

“I really like this book, because there is suspense, and adventures. I like Kate (a character in the book) because she is funny.”

Lucie 6e1

Title :*The Diary of a wimpy kid*

Author : Jeff Kinney

Rating : I rate this book 4 out of 5 stars because I think it is fun, but it still has a bad ending and there is no suspense in the book.

They are some books that are more interesting than others.

Loula Poisson 6e5

Title: *Millions the not-so great train robbery*

Author: Frank Cottrell-Boyce

Rating: I rate this book 4/5 stars. It was a very interesting book but I prefer some other books to this one.

Adam 6e6

Title: The Gifted the Talented and Me

Author: William Sutcliffe

Rating: I rate this book 5 out of 5 stars. There was nearly always some suspense, it was the best book I have ever read. The book is about a boy who tries to fit into a school for the gifted and the talented, even though he isn't talented himself. His brother and sister are talented themselves and are at the school too. Finally, the boy finds his place in the school. It's more fun than it sounds! If you like humour this is the book for you.

Lorenzo 6e5

Title: My Story: Titanic

Author : Ellen Emerson White

Rating: I rate this book 4.5 stars out of 5. I really loved this book because it is the diary of a young girl during the shipwreck of the Titanic. She writes down her thoughts and I think it is a nice way of telling this tragic story. It is a very emotional story and you can really imagine you are on the ship and living the moment with her. The only thing I would criticise is that there are many difficult and unknown words. If you like sad but captivating stories this is a book for you.

Eugenie 6e1

Title: The Maze Runner

Author: James Dashner

Rating: I would rate this book 5/5.

I really liked this book because of all of the action and suspense. This book is actually the first book of the series, which I really recommend. It's the story of a teenager stranded in the middle of a maze filled with ghastly monsters with several other boys. A real page turner.

Enrico 6e2

Title: The Magician's Nephew

Author: C.S. Lewis

Rating: I would rate this book five stars out of five.

I really liked this book because it happens in magical worlds which I like very much. The story is about a girl named Polly and a boy who lives next door named Digory who discover "by mistake" what Digory's uncle Andrew is doing. The girl turns out to be the uncle's human experiment and is sent to another world...

Iago 6e2

Title: Arsenic for tea

Author: Robin Stevens

Rating: I would rate this book 5/5 stars

“I really liked this book. If you are looking for a mystery that isn’t too scary, this is the book for you. It’s about a girl named Daisy who has a tea party for her birthday, everyone in the family is invited, but during the party someone is poisoned. She investigates with her best friend and makes some very peculiar discoveries...”

Bianca 6°2

Title: Lord of the Ring

Author: J.R.R.Tolkien

Rating: I would rate this book 5/5 stars

“I really liked this book because of all its suspense and action. One thing that really caught my attention in this book was all the details in the fights (some are a bit gory). The description of the scenes are also fabulous. It's the story of a young hobbit that has to destroy the ring of evil, by throwing it in Mount Doom (big lava volcano). With all of his friends (his gardener, an Elf, the future king, a Dwarf and the best wizard of all time).”

Victor 6e4

Title: *The Westing Game*

Author: Ellen Raskin

Rating: I would rate this book 4 out of 5 stars, because it's a bit long.

“This book is a clever novel, with lots of different characters trying to solve the mystery of who killed Sam Westing for a reward.

You never know what happens next and you are suspicious of everyone.”

Jean 6e5

Title: *Shepherds to the Rescue*

Author: Maria Grace Dateno, FSP

Rating: 4 stars ☆☆☆/ 5 stars

“I loved it when the wolves came. There was a lot of suspense. My favorite part was when the children arrived back in the present. They didn’t understand why their parents weren’t scared. Later the children understood that they had just spent 19 minutes away.”

Louise 6e5

Title: Hunger Games

Author: Suzanne Collins

Rating: I would give this book 5/5 stars, I loved it.

“I really liked this book because I imagined myself in the hunger games.

It talks about a 15 year old who is qualified to participate. The hunger games are a game that is played every year. The concept is the last who stays alive wins the game and a lot of money which would be very useful for the town (everyone is poor). I would definitely recommend it if you like action and with a lot of suspense.”

Hana 6e4