

# 6TH GRADE BOOKLIST



## **The Night Gardener** Auxier - HORROR

Irish orphans Molly and Kip go to work in a crumbling manor in England, and soon the siblings are confronted by a mysterious stranger and secrets of the cursed house.

**JF AUXIER**

## **The Worst Class Trip Ever** Barry - HUMOR

Wyatt and his friends get into a heap of trouble on a school trip to Washington D.C. while trying to stop two mysterious men from attacking the president.

**JF BARRY**



## **Close to Famous** Bauer - REALISTIC

Foster and her mother escape from her mother's abusive boyfriend and end up in a small town where they challenge themselves to build a new life, with the help of the friends they make there.

**MID F BAUER**

## **Fashion Rebels: Style Icons Who Changed the World Through Fashion** Beccia - NONFICTION, ARTS

Throughout time, daring women have made fashion choices that have altered the course of history. Their brave and inventive fashion choices paved the way for female empowerment.

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## **Don't Sit on the Baby: The Ultimate Guide to Sane, Skilled, and Safe Babysitting** Bondy - NONFICTION, HOW-TO

Provides advice, tips, and strategies for those who want to find, keep, and excel at part-time babysitting jobs.

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## **Felix Yz Bunker** - SCIENCE FICTION, HUMOR

Felix chronicles the final month before an experimental procedure to separate him from the fourth-dimensional creature, Zyx, with whom he was accidentally fused as a young child.

**MID F BUNKER**

## **The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora** Cartaya - REALISTIC

Save the restaurant. Save the town. Get the girl. Make Abuela proud. Can thirteen-year-old Arturo Zamora do it all or is he in for a BIG, EPIC FAIL?

**MID F CARTAYA**



## **Awkward** Chmakova - GRAPHIC NOVEL

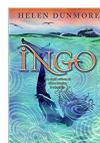
After shunning Jaime, the school nerd, on her first day at a new middle school, Penelope tries to blend in with her new friends in the art club, until they go to war with the science club, of which Jaime is a member.

**GC JF CHMAKOVA**

## **The Roar** Clayton - SCIENCE FICTION, DYSTOPIAN

In a world where a wall has been erected to keep out plague-ridden animals, Mika searches for his twin sister, who he refuses to believe was killed after being abducted.

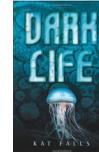
**MID F CLAYTON**



## **Ingo** Dunmore - FANTASY

As they search for their missing father near their Cornwall home, Sapphy and her brother Conor learn about their family's connection to the domains of air and of water.

**JF DUNMORE**



## **Dark Life Falls** - SCIENCE FICTION

When Ty, who lives on the ocean floor, joins Topside girl Gemma to seek and stop outlaws who threaten his home, they learn that the government may pose an even greater threat.

**MID F FALLS**

## **Better Nate Than Ever** Federle - HUMOR

Small-town boy Nate Foster dreams of starring in a Broadway show, so he plans a secret overnight trip to New York City to audition for a role in E.T.: The Musical.

**MID F FEDERLE**

## **Sphinx's Princess** Friesner - HISTORICAL FICTION

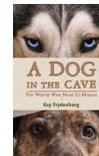
Beautiful and intelligent Nefertiti is summoned to the Egyptian royal court, where she becomes a pawn in the power play of her scheming aunt, Queen Tiye.

**MID F FRIESNER**

## **Hidden** Frost - VERSE, REALISTIC

When Wren and Darra meet at summer camp, both are overwhelmed by memories from six years earlier when Darra's father stole a car, unaware that Wren was hiding in the back.

**MID F FROST**



## **Dog in the Cave: The Wolves Who Made Us Human** Frydenborg - NONFICTION, SCIENCE

Explores the connection between dogs and humans from hunter-gatherer partners to modern-day pets, focusing on how humans have influenced dogs' evolution.

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## **Space Case** Gibbs - MYSTERY, SCIENCE FICTION

Dashiell Gibson, who lives on Moon Base Alpha, has to solve a murder of a prominent doctor who was on the verge of revealing an important discovery.

**JF GIBBS**

## **Unbored: The Essential Field Guide to Serious Fun**

**Glenn - NONFICTION, HOW-TO**

Featuring experiments, crafts, board game hacking, code-cracking, geocaching, yarn-bombing, stop-action movie-making--plus tons of sidebars and extras, including trivia, best-of lists, and Q&As.

**MID 790 GLE**



## **Projekt 1065** Gratz - HISTORICAL FICTION

In 1943, Michael, son of an Irish spy for the British Secret Service in Berlin, must join the Hitler Youth, avoid violence, and steal Nazi plans for a dangerous airplane called Projekt 1065.

**MID F GRATZ**

## **Shug** Han - ROMANCE, REALISTIC

A twelve-year-old girl learns about friendship, first loves, and self-worth in a small town in the South.

**MID F HAN**



## **Monster on the Hill** Harrell - GRAPHIC NOVEL

Rayburn the monster is depressed and unable to do his job of terrorizing his town, so Dr. Wilkie and Timothy set out to get him up to snuff before a greater threat turns the whole town to kindling.

**GC JF HARRELL**

## **Sunny Side Up** Holm - GRAPHIC NOVEL, REALISTIC

In 1976, Sunny unexpectedly has to spend the summer with her grandfather in Florida after her brother's drug use and delinquent behavior tear her family apart.

**GC JF HOLM**

## **Girl vs. Boy Band: The Right Track**

**Jones - ROMANCE**

When three stars of a British boy band come to Los Angeles, they stay in the home of a record producer and her seventh-grade daughter, a talented but shy singer-songwriter.

**MID F JONES**

## **Cracker!: The Best Dog in Vietnam** Kadohata - HISTORICAL FICTION

A young soldier and his bomb-sniffing dog struggle to survive the Vietnam War.

**MID F KADOHATA**



## **Stolen Children** Kehret - THRILLER, MYSTERY

While she is babysitting, kidnapers take 14-year-old Amy and three-year-old Kendra to a remote cabin in the woods, and Amy is forced to make a desperate move to escape.

**JF KEHRET**

## **See You At Harry's** Knowles - REALISTIC

Fern feels invisible in her family, and when tragedy strikes, the fragile bond holding them together is stretched almost to the breaking point.

**MID F KNOWLES**

## **The Boy on the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible...on Schindler's List**

Leyson - NONFICTION, BIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR

Traces the story of Holocaust survivor Leon Leyson, who was the youngest child in his family and possibly the youngest of the hundreds of Jews rescued by Oskar Schindler.

**JB LEYSON**



## **Million-dollar Throw** Lupica - SPORTS

Star quarterback Nate Brodie is frantic to win a million dollars by completing a pass during the halftime of a New England Patriot's game to help his family and his best friend Abby who is going blind.

**JF LUPICA, MID F LUPICA**

## **Click Here to Start** Markell - MYSTERY

When Ted inherits his uncle's apartment "and all the treasure within," he realizes the apartment is set up like a real-life video game and must solve puzzles to discover the treasure.

**MID F MARKELL**



## **Ryan Quinn and the Rebel's Escape**

McGee - ACTION

When his father disappears and his mother is abducted, Ryan learns that his missing parents are secret agents and that he must undertake a perilous mission to rescue them.

**MID F MCGEE**

## **The Blue Sword** McKinley - FANTASY

Harry, bored with her sheltered life in the remote orange-growing colony of Daria, discovers magic in herself when she is kidnapped by a native king with mysterious powers.

**MID F MCKINLEY**

## **Temple Grandin: How the Girl Who Loved Cows Embraced Autism and Changed the World**

Montgomery - NONFICTION, BIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR

A portrait of Grandin's life with autism and her groundbreaking work as a scientist and designer of cruelty-free livestock facilities.

**JB GRANDIN**

## **The Five Kingdoms: Sky Raiders** Mull - FANTASY

Whisked through a portal to The Outskirts, an in-between world, Cole must rescue his friends and find his way back home--before his existence is forgotten.

**MID F MULL**



## **The Scourge** Nielsen - FANTASY, DYSTOPIAN

Ani Mells is quarantined after the return of the lethal plague called the Scourge, but Ani does not feel sick. With the help of her best friend, she sets out to expose the lies the people of Keldan have been told.

**MID F NIELSEN**

## **A Night Divided** Nielsen - HISTORICAL FICTION

Gerta, trapped on the eastern side of the Berlin Wall, sees her father making strange motions on the west side and realizes he wants her to risk her life trying to tunnel to freedom.

**JF NIELSEN**

## **Friends for Life** Norriss - REALISTIC

Francis is bullied at school for his interest in fashion, but his life begins to change when he meets Andi, a girl with a reputation for fighting, and Jessica, a ghost who has no idea how she died.

**MID F NORRISS**

## **Lost in Outer Space: The Incredible Journey of Apollo 13** Olson - NONFICTION, HISTORY, SCIENCE

In 1970, an explosion left three men on a mission to the moon hurtling away from Earth at three times the speed of sound, losing power and leaking oxygen into the void.

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## **The Nest** Oppel - HORROR

When wasps come to Steve in a dream offering to fix his sick baby brother, he thinks all he has to do is say yes. But yes may not mean what Steve thinks it means.

**JF OPPEL**

## **Woods Runner** Paulsen - HISTORICAL FICTION

In 1776, Samuel, a highly-skilled woodsman, sets out to rescue his parents from British soldiers and American Indians who kidnapped them after slaughtering most of their community.

**MID F PAULSEN**

## **Surviving Middle School: Navigating the Halls, Riding the Social Roller Coaster, and Unmasking the Real You** Reynolds - NONFICTION, SELF-HELP

Author Luke Reynolds has the insider facts on how to make friends, deal with bullies, and have a magnificent time in middle school.

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## **Ghost** Reynolds - REALISTIC

Aspiring to be the fastest sprinter on an elite track team, gifted runner Ghost finds his goal challenged by a tragic past with a violent father.

**MID F RENOLDS**

## **Bomb: The Race to Build--and Steal--the World's Most Dangerous Weapon** Sheinkin - NONFICTION, HISTORY

Recounts the scientific discoveries that enabled atom splitting, the military intelligence operations that occurred in rival countries, and the work of brilliant scientists hidden at Los Alamos.

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## **Flygirl** Smith - HISTORICAL FICTION

During World War II, a light-skinned African American girl "passes" for white in order to join the Women Airforce Service Pilots.

**MID F SMITH**

## **Crash** Spinelli - REALISTIC

Crash has always been comfortable with his tough, aggressive behavior, until his relationship with an unusual Quaker boy and his grandfather's stroke make him reconsider.

**MID F SPINELLI**

## **When You Reach Me** Stead - MYSTERY, SCIENCE FICTION

In the 1970s, a New York City girl tries to make sense of a series of mysterious notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.

**JF STEAD**



## **Minrs** Sylvester - SCIENCE FICTION, ACTION

When Christopher's colony on the planet Peres is destroyed by attackers, Christopher and a small group of survivors must flee for their lives into the maze of mining tunnels below the surface.

**JF SYLVESTER**

## **Loot** Watson - ADVENTURE, MYSTERY

When a notorious jewel thief is killed on a job, his last words to his son, March, are to "find jewels." This leads March to a twin sister he never knew he had--and the perfect partner to carry on the family business.

**JF WATSON**