



Houston ISD
Department of Library Services
Recommended Reading List
Grade 8

Title	Author	Year	RL	IL	Lexile	Grade
10 p.m. question	De Goldi, Kate	2010	5.5	7-9	830	8
Akata witch	Okorafor-Mbachu, Nnedi	2011	4.2	7-9	590	8
Almost astronauts : 13 women who dared to d	Stone, Tanya Lee	2009	7.1	7-10	980	8
American born Chinese	Yang, Gene Luen	2008	3.3	7-12	530	8
Anila's journey	Finn, Mary	2008	5.5	7-10	900	8
Anya's ghost	Brosgol, Vera	2011	2.3	7-12	300	8
Aristotle and Dante discover the secrets of the universe	Saenz, Benjamin Alire	2012	2.9	7-12	380	8
As easy as falling off the face of the earth	Perkins, Lynne Rae	2010	5.0	7-10	730	8
Ashes	Lasky, Kathryn	2010	5.2	7-10	770	8
Attila the Hun : leader of the barbarian hordes	Price, Sean	2009	6.6	7-10	930	8
Bad island	TenNapel, Doug	2011	2.3	6-12	340	8
Beneath my mother's feet	Qamar, Amjed	2008	4.9	7-10	770	8
Between shades of gray	Sepetys, Ruta	2012	3.6	7-12	490	8
Blindsided	Cummings, Priscilla	2010	4.6	7-10	710	8
Bone. 1, Out from Boneville	Smith, Jeff,	2005	2.4	6-12	360	8
Borderline	Stratton, Allan	2012	3.7	7-10	560	8
Clay	Almond, David	2006	3.2	7-10	490	8
Cold hands, warm heart	Wolfson, Jill	2009	5.2	7-10	760	8
Edenville Owls	Parker, Robert B	2008	3.7	7-10	580	8
The enemy	Higson, Charles	2011	4.1	7-12	590	8
Ever	Levine, Gail Carson	2010	3.7	6-10	550	8
Everything is fine	Ellis, Ann Dee	2010	3.0	7-10	460	8
Five 4ths of July	Hughes, Pat	2011	5.0	7-10	710	8
Funny business : conversations with writers of comedy		2009	6.3	6-10	920	8
The girl is murder	Haines, Kathryn Miller	2011	4.8	7-10	700	8
Girls don't fly	Chandler, Kristen	2011	3.8	7-12	590	8
I am a genius of unspeakable evil and I want t	Lieb, Josh	2009	5.1	7-10	780	8
Leviathan	Westerfeld, Scott	2009	5.3	7-10	790	8
Memory boy	Weaver, Will	2012	4.4	7-10	570	8
Michael Vey --the prisoner of cell 25	Evans, Richard Paul	2012	3.5	7-10	500	8
Morning in a different place	McGuigan, Mary Ann	2009	4.3	7-10	710	8
Outlaw : a novel	Davies, Stephen,	2011	5.2	7-10	770	8
The rock and river	Magoon, Kekla	2010	3.9	7-10	550	8
Sharks & boys	Tracy, Kristen	2011	3.6	7-10	510	8
The summer I learned to fly	Reinhardt, Dana	2011	4.7	7-10	750	8
Tell us we're home	Budhos, Marina Tamar	2010	5.0	7-10	780	8
Then	Gleitzman, Morris	2011	3.8	6-9	580	8
Under the mesquite	McCall, Guadalupe Garcia	2011	5.7	7-12	990	8
Virals	Reichs, Kathy	2010	3.5	7-10	480	8
What Janie found	Cooney, Caroline B	2012	4.8	7-9	600	8
Wish	Monninger, Joseph	2010	5	6-9	820	8
Wolf mark	Bruchac, Joseph	2011	5.3	9-12	810	8
Zodiac killer : terror and mystery	Haugen, Brenda	2011	6.1	6-9	900	8

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