



Houston ISD  
Department of Library Services  
Recommended Reading List  
Grade 9

Title	Author	Year	RL	IL	Lexile	Grade
Akata witch	Okorafor-Mbachu, Nnedi	2011	4.2	7-9	590	9
The Amazing Maurice and his educated rodents	Pratchett, Terry	2003	4.3	7-12	550	9
American born Chinese	Yang, Gene Luen	2008	3.3	7-12	530	9
Anya's ghost	Broskol, Vera	2011	2.3	7-12	300	9
Aristotle and Dante discover the secrets of the universe	Saenz, Benjamin Alire	2012	2.9	7-12	380	9
Beowulf : a tale of blood, heat, and ashes	Raven, Nicky	2007	9.3	6-9	1040	9
Between shades of gray	Sepetys, Ruta	2012	3.6	7-12	490	9
Bewitching	Flinn, Alex	2012	4.0	7-12	620	9
Black mirror	Werlin, Nancy	2003	4.7	7-12	580	9
Borderline	Stratton, Allan	2010	3.7	7-10	560	9
Buried thunder	Bowler, Tim	2011	3.6	7-10	440	9
Burn : a novel	Phillips, Suzanne	2009	4.1	7-12	640	9
Chomp	Hiaasen, Carl	2012	5.2	6-9	800	9
Crazy	Nolan, Han	2010	4.2	7-12	660	9
Curveball : the year I lost my grip	Sonnenblick, Jordan	2012	5.1	7-10	800	9
Dead is not an option	Perez, Marlene	2011	4.5	7-12	630	9
Death cloud	Lane, Andy	2011	6.3	6-9	940	9
Down Sand Mountain	Watkins, Steve, 1954-	2008	5.4	7-10	1200	9
The enemy	Higson, Charles	2011	4.1	7-12	590	9
Ghostopolis	TenNapel, Doug	2010	2.4	7-10	300	9
Girls don't fly	Chandler, Kristen	2011	3.8	7-12	590	9
Gone	Grant, Michael	2009	4.3	7-12	620	9
Iceberg, right ahead! : the tragedy of the Titanic	McPherson, Stephanie Sammartino	2012	8.1	6-9	1070	9
Matched	Condie, Allyson	2011	4.8	7-12	680	9
Mercury	Larson, Hope	2010	2.6	7-12	370	9
Never slow dance with a zombie	Van Lowe, Ehrich	2009	4.4	7-12	620	9
Serafina67 : *urgently requires life*	Day, Susie	2008	8.2	7-10	1030	9
Shutout	Halpin, Brendan	2010	5.6	7-9	930	9
Small acts of amazing courage	Whelan, Gloria	2011	5.7	6-9	940	9
Stupid fast	Herbach, Geoff	2011	3.9	7-12	670	9
Superman versus the Ku Klux Klan : the true story of how the iconic superhero battled the men of hate	Bowers, Rick	2012	9.6	6-9	1300	9
This dark endeavor	Oppel, Kenneth	2012	4.9	7-12	690	9
Witches! : the absolutely true tale of disaster in Salem	Schanzer, Rosalyn	2011	7.8	7-10	1190	9
The year of my miraculous reappearance	Hyde, Catherine Ryan	2009	3.8	7-12	610	9
Yummy : the last days of a Southside shorty	Neri, Greg	2010	3.4	7-12	510	9

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