

7th Grade Summer Reading List

Notre Dame Academy - 2019-20

Students entering the 7th grade in the 2019-20 school year must choose one of the following novels to read during their summer break. The novel should be within their 3rd trimester AR reading range. When the students return to school, they will take an AR test on the book on the Friday of the first week of school. In Literature class, they will discuss the themes in their novel and will complete assignments at the beginning of the school year. A short description is provided with the list below.

Find helpful information, including book summaries from Goodreads and Amazon, below.

Novel	Description	# of pages	Reading Level	AR Points
Because of Mr. Terupt Author: Rob Buyea	<p>It's the start of fifth grade for seven kids at Snow Hill School. There's . . . the new girl, a bully, the class prankster, the brain, a girl who never stands up for herself, a student whose home situation makes her an outcast, and a boy who hates school.</p> <p>Only Mr. Terupt, their new and energetic teacher, seems to know how to deal with them all. He makes the classroom a fun place . . . until the snowy winter day when an accident changes everything.</p>	304	3.7	5 Quiz #: 140141 EN
Ghost Author: Jason Reynolds	<p>Ghost. Lu. Patina. Sunny. Four kids from wildly different backgrounds with personalities that are explosive when they clash. But they are also four kids chosen for an elite middle school track team—a team that could qualify them for the Junior Olympics if they can get their acts together. They all have a lot to lose, but they also have a lot to prove, not only to each other, but to themselves.</p>	208	4.6	6 Quiz #: 184102 EN
Life As We Knew It Author: Susan Beth Pfeffer	<p>High school sophomore Miranda's disbelief turns to fear in a split second when an asteroid knocks the moon closer to Earth, like "one marble hits another." The result is catastrophic. How can her family prepare for the future when worldwide tsunamis are wiping out the coasts, earthquakes are rocking the continents, and volcanic ash is blocking out the sun? As August turns dark and</p>	352	4.7	14 Quiz #: 109087 EN

	wintery in northeastern Pennsylvania, Miranda, her two brothers, and their mother retreat to the unexpected safe haven of their sunroom, where they subsist on stockpiled food and limited water in the warmth of a wood-burning stove.			
Maniac Magee Author: Jerry Spinelli	He wasn't born with the name Maniac Magee. He came into this world named Jeffrey Lionel Magee, but when his parents died and his life changed, so did his name. And Maniac Magee became a legend. Even today kids talk about how fast he could run; how no knot, no matter how snarled, would stay that way once he began to untie it. But the thing Maniac Magee is best known for is what he did for the kids from the East Side and those from the West Side.	184	4.7	5 Quiz #: 5075 EN
The Girl Who Drank the Moon Author: Kelly Barnhill	Every year, the people of the Protectorate leave a baby as an offering to the witch who lives in the forest. They hope this sacrifice will keep her from harming their town. But the witch in the Forest, Xan, is kind. Xan rescues the children and delivers them to welcoming families on the other side of the forest, nourishing the babies with starlight on the journey. One year, Xan accidentally feeds a baby moonlight instead of starlight, filling the ordinary child with extraordinary magic. Xan decides she must raise this girl, whom she calls Luna, as her own. As Luna's thirteenth birthday approaches, her magic begins to emerge--with dangerous consequences.	400	4.8	12 Quiz #: 183878
The Graveyard Book Author: Neil Gaiman	Bod is an unusual boy who inhabits an unusual place—he's the only living resident of a graveyard. He was raised from infancy by the ghosts, werewolves,	352	5.1	10 Quiz #: 125535

	<p>and other cemetery folk.</p> <p>Can a boy raised by ghosts face the worlds of both the living and the dead?</p>			
<p>Chains Author: Laurie Halse Anderson</p>	<p>As the Revolutionary War begins, thirteen-year-old Isabel wages her own fight...for freedom. Promised freedom upon the death of their owner, she and her sister, Ruth, in a cruel twist of fate become the property of a malicious New York City couple, the Locktons, who have no sympathy for the American Revolution and even less for Ruth and Isabel. When Isabel meets Curzon, a slave with ties to the Patriots, he encourages her to spy on her owners, who know details of British plans for invasion.</p>	316	5.2	<p>11</p> <p>Quiz #: 125530</p>
<p>The Hunger Games Author: Suzanne Collins</p>	<p>In the ruins of a place once known as North America lies the nation of Panem, a shining Capitol surrounded by twelve outlying districts. The Capitol is harsh and cruel and keeps the districts in line by forcing them all to send one boy and one girl between the ages of twelve and eighteen to participate in the annual Hunger Games, a fight to the death on live TV. Sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen regards it as a death sentence when she is forced to represent her district in the Games. But Katniss has been close to dead and survival; for her, is second nature.</p>	387	5.3	<p>15</p> <p>Quiz #: 123740 EN</p>
<p>Redwall Author: Brian Jacques</p>	<p>When the peaceful life of ancient Redwall Abbey is shattered by the arrival of the evil rat Cluny and his villainous hordes, Matthias, a young mouse, determines to find the legendary sword of Martin the Warrior which, he is convinced, will help Redwall's inhabitants destroy the enemy.</p>	352	5.6	<p>16</p> <p>Quiz #: 7129 EN</p>
<p>The Wizard of Oz / The Wonderful Wizard of Oz (Unabridged)</p>	<p>Dorothy, her little dog Toto, the Tin Woodman, Scarecrow, and the Cowardly Lion set out on an exciting quest for the</p>	144	7	<p>7</p> <p>Quiz #:</p>

Author: L. Frank Baum	elusive Wizard of Oz. Along the way, they'll encounter the Wicked Witch of the West, the fantastic Winged Monkeys, the Queen of the Field Mice, the kind-hearted Munchkins, and other fanciful creatures.			535 EN
Anne of Green Gables Author: Lucy M. Montgomery	When orphan Anne arrives at the Cuthberts' home, Green Gables, she feels sure she's found the home she has longed for. They, however, are less certain; their request to the orphanage had been for a boy. But before long Anne's irrepressibly optimistic, loving nature has charmed them.	392	7.3	17 Quiz #: 203 EN
Chasing Lincoln's Killer (non-fiction) Author: James L. Swanson	Based on rare archival material, obscure trial manuscripts, and interviews with relatives of the conspirators and the manhunters, CHASING LINCOLN'S KILLER is a fast-paced thriller about the pursuit and capture of John Wilkes Booth: a wild twelve-day chase through the streets of Washington, D.C., across the swamps of Maryland, and into the forests of Virginia.	208	7.5	6 Quiz #: 128375