

2013 MCPL Enjoyable Reads for Middle Schoolers

Fiction

Calonita, Jen. **Secrets of My Hollywood Life**. Popular soap opera star Kaitlin is 16 and eager for a normal high school life. She enrolls incognito but disaster awaits.

+Colfer, Eoin. **Airman**. Thrown into prison when he discovers a plot to overthrow the king, Conor plans his escape.

+Condie, Allyson. **Matched**. The Society determines a person's ideal mate and Cassia is happy when Xander appears on the screen as her match. But is there a mistake when another face briefly appears?

Cooney, Caroline B. **The Face on the Milk Carton**. The photo of a kidnapped little girl in a polka-dot dress on a milk carton awakens memories in Janie.

+Duble, Kathleen. **Phantoms in the Snow**. Raised a pacifist and newly orphaned, Noah, 15, lies about his age and goes to live with his uncle on an army base where he trains to fight the Nazis.

+Evans, Richard Paul. **Michael Vey: The Prisoner of Cell 25**. Bullied because he has Tourette's syndrome, Michael also has special electrical powers, as does cute cheerleader Taylor. An evil organization out to control the world is after them.

Feinstein, John. **Rush for the Gold: Mystery at the Olympics 2012**. Is there a plot to bribe officials? As a teen prepares to swim for Team USA, she and her boyfriend aim to solve the mystery.

Haddix, Margaret Peterson. **Uprising**. Conditions were terrible in NYC's Triangle Shirtwaist Factory, resulting in a workers' strike, and a tragic fire.

+Hartman, Rachel. **Seraphina**. The peace between dragons and humans is challenged by the beheading of Prince Rufus. Seraphina, secretly part human and part dragon, investigates.

Hughes, Mark Peter. **Lemonade Mouth**. Five misfit teens in detention join together to form an unusual band and compete in the talent show.

Kibuishi, Kazu. **Amulet: The Stonekeeper**. Living in a strange old house, Emily and her brother follow their mother when she disappears through a basement door. J Graphic Novel

McKissick, Pat and Frederick McKissick. **Best Shot in the West: The Adventures of Nat Love**. AKA known as Deadeye Dick, Nate was the Old West's most famous African American cowboy. Graphic Novel

Myracle, Lauren. **Thirteen**. A makeover on Winnie's 13th birthday begins a year of family and boy challenges.

+Pierce, Tamora. **Trickster's Choice**. Aly, daughter of Alanna, is kidnapped and sold to a noble family. She makes a deal with the trickster god to protect the family's children in exchange for freedom.

Schmidt, Gary D. **First Boy**. Trying to keep his recently deceased grandfather's farm, Cooper suddenly finds himself mysteriously mixed up in the Presidential election.

+Sepetys, Ruta. **Between Shades of Gray**. Her father imprisoned by the Soviets, Lina, her mother, and brother are deported from Lithuania to a horrific labor camp in Siberia.

+Stead, Rebecca. **When You Reach Me**. Miranda faces unusual events in her NYC neighborhood - a strange homeless man and mysterious notes. J

+Wrede, Patricia C. **Dealing with Dragons**. Princess Cimorene is not interested in doing the usual princess things and, goes to live with a dragon. J

Non Fiction

+133.4 ARO Aronson, Marc. **Witch-hunt: Mysteries of the Salem Witch Trials**. How do you explain the Salem witch trials - a trick that went wrong? spoiled food that caused hallucinations? fraud?

+J322.42 BAR Bartoletti, Susan Campbell. **They Called Themselves the K.K.K.: The Birth of an American Terrorist Group**. Personal accounts, testimony, slave narratives, and newspaper articles trace the history of the Ku Klux Klan.

+J598 H00 Hoose, Philip. **Moonbird: A Year on the Wind with the Great Survivor B95**. An endangered red knot bird annually migrates between Argentina and the Canadian Arctic (9000 miles each way). That's some traveling!

J578.65 JOH Johnson, Rebecca. **Zombie Makers: True Stories of Nature's Undead**. Warning! There are creatures out there that attack their hosts and make changes in their brains.



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