

# Suggested Reading List (6-8)

## Stories

Alcott, Louisa May. *Little Women*  
Twain, Mark. *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*  
, Madeleine. *A Wrinkle in Time*  
Cooper, Susan. *The Dark Is Rising*  
Yep, Laurence. *Dragonwings*  
Taylor, Mildred D. *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*  
Hamilton, Virginia. "The People Could Fly"  
Paterson, Katherine. *The Tale of the Mandarin Ducks*  
Cisneros, Sandra. "Eleven"  
Sutcliff, Rosemary. *Black Ships Before Troy:  
The Story of the Iliad*

## Drama

Fletcher, Louise. *Sorry, Wrong Number*  
Goodrich, Frances and Albert Hackett.  
*The Diary of Anne Frank: A Play*

## Poetry

Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. "Paul Revere's Ride"  
Whitman, Walt. "O Captain! My Captain"  
Carroll, Lewis. "Jabberwocky"  
Navajo tradition. "Twelfth Song of Thunder"  
Dickinson, Emily. "The Railway Train"  
Yeats, William Butler. "The Song of Wandering Aengus"  
Frost, Robert. "The Road Not Taken"  
Sandburg, Carl. "Chicago"  
Hughes, Langston. "I, Too, Sing America"  
Neruda, Pablo. "The Book of Questions"  
Soto, Gary. "Oranges"  
Giovanni, Nikki. "A Poem for My Librarian, Mrs. Long"

## Informational Texts: English Language Arts

Adams, John. "Letter on Thomas Jefferson."  
Douglass, Frederick. *Narrative of the Life of Frederick  
Douglass an American Slave, Written by Himself*  
Churchill, Winston. "Blood, Toil, Tears and Sweat:  
Address to Parliament on May 13th, 1940."  
Petry, Ann. *Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the  
Underground Railroad*  
Steinbeck, John. *Travels with Charley: In Search of America*

## Informational Texts: History/Social Studies

United States. Preamble and First Amendment to the  
United States Constitution. (1787, 1791)  
Lord, Walter. *A Night to Remember*  
Isaacson, Phillip. *A Short Walk through the Pyramids  
and through the World of Art*  
Murphy, Jim. *The Great Fire*  
  
Greenberg, Jan, and Sandra Jordan. *Vincent Van Gogh:  
Portrait of an Artist*  
Partridge, Elizabeth. *This Land Was Made for You and  
Me: The Life and Songs of Woody Guthrie*  
Monk, Linda R. *Words We Live By: Your Annotated  
Guide to the Constitution*  
Freedman, Russell. *Freedom Walkers: The Story of the  
Montgomery Bus Boycott*

## Informational Texts: Science, Mathematics, and Technical Subjects

Macaulay, David. *Cathedral: The Story of Its Construction*  
Mackay, Donald. *The Building of Manhattan*  
Enzensberger, Hans Magnus. *The Number Devil:  
A Mathematical Adventure*  
Peterson, Ivars and Nancy Henderson. *Math Trek:  
Adventures in the Math Zone*  
Katz, John. *Geeks: How Two Lost Boys Rode  
the Internet out of Idaho*  
Petroski, Henry. "The Evolution of the Grocery Bag"  
"Geology." U\*X\*L Encyclopedia of Science  
"Space Probe." *Astronomy & Space: From the Big Bang  
to the Big Crunch*  
"Elementary Particles." New Book of Popular Science  
California Invasive Plant Council. *Invasive Plant Inventory*

