



South Carolina Reads

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100 Suggested Titles for High School Students

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This is a suggested reading list for high school students and is not intended for middle school students or elementary school students. The suggested titles reflect the quality and complexity of the types of material high school students should be reading both at school and outside of class. This list contains contemporary titles to create a more comprehensive list for expanding options for classroom teachers, librarians, students, and parents.

The purpose of this list is to provide suggestions for literature with a wide appeal to high school students. While this list is not intended to replace existing reading lists, classroom teachers, reading teachers, library information specialists, parents, and others are encouraged to use this list to encourage their young people to read a wider variety of current literature.

Criteria used in the selection of books for this suggested reading list were:

- Copyright date must be within five years from the current calendar date;
- Each title must have at least three favorable reviews from recognized review sources;
- Each title must be currently available in print.
- The current winner of the SC Book Award must be included.

This list will be updated annually to meet the selection criteria as outlined above. For more information about this high school suggested reading list, please contact Martha Alewine (malewine@ed.sc.gov).

100 Suggested Titles for High School Students Alphabetical by Author

AUTHOR	TITLE	© DATE
1. Abbott, Hailey	Summer Boys	2004
2. Acampora, Paul	Defining Dulcie	2006
3. Ahmedi, Farah	Story of My Life: An Afghan girl on the Other Side of the Sky	2006
4. Alegria, Malin	Estrella's Quinceañera	2006
5. Anderson, M.T.	The Astonishing Life of Octavian Nothing, Traitor to the Nation: The Pox Party	2006
6. Andronik, Catherine M.	Wildly Romantic: The English Romantic Poets: The Mad, the Bad, and the Dangerous	2007
7. Baptiste, Tracey	Angel's Grace	2005
8. Bausum, Ann	Freedom Riders: John Lewis and Jim Zwerg on the Front Lines of the Civil Rights Movement	2006
9. Beah, Ishmael	A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier	2007
10. Bingham, Kelly	Shark Girl	2007
11. Bodett, Tom	Norman Tuttle on the Last Frontier	2006
12. Books, Laura G.	My Mother the Cheerleader	2007
13. Brooks, Kevin	Being	2007
14. Caletti, Deb	The Nature of Jade	2007
15. Cappo, Nan Willard	Cheating Lessons	2006
16. Carnarsie, Alexandra	My Life and Death	2006
17. Chima, Cinda Williams	The Warrior Heir	2006
18. Choice, Lesley	Thunderbowl	2004
19. Cooney, Caroline B.	Code Orange	2005
20. Corrigan, Eireann	Splintering	2004
21. Crutcher, Chris	The Sledding Hill	2005
22. Curtis, Christopher Paul	Bucking the Sarge	2004
23. Davis, Sampson and George Jenkins	We Beat the Streets	2006
24. Dessen, Sarah	The Truth About Forever	2004
25. Draper, Sharon	Copper Sun	2006
26. Durbin, William	Darkest Evening, The	2004
27. Engle, Margarita	The Poet Slave of Cuba: A Biography of Juan Francisco Manzano	2006
28. Erskine, Kathryn	Quaking	2007
29. Esckilsen, Erik E.	Offsides	2004
30. Flake, Sharon	Who Am I Without Him?	2004
31. Fleming, Ann Marie	The Magical Life of Long Tack Sam	2007
32. Fletcher, Susan	Alphabet of Dreams	2006
33. Flinn, Alex	Nothing to Lose	2004
34. Fredericks, Mariah	Crunch Time	2006
35. Freedman, Russell	Freedom Walkers: The Story of the Montgomery Bus Boycott	2006

36.	Fusco, Kimberly Newton	Tending to Grace	2004
37.	Gratz, Alan	Samurai Shortstop	2006
38.	Gravelle, Karen	Driving Book: Everything New Drivers Need to Know But Don't Know To Ask	2005
39.	Green, John	Abundance of Katherines	2006
40.	Haddix, Margaret Peterson	Uprising: Three Young Women Caught in the Fire That Changed America	2007
41.	Hartinger, Brent	Last Chance Texaco, The	2004
42.	Heifer, Andrew and Randy Duburke	Malcolm X: A Graphic Biography	2006
43.	Hillman, Laura	I Will Plant You a Lilac Tree: A Memoir of a Schindler's List Survivor	2005
44.	Hinds, Gareth	Beowulf	2007
45.	Hobbs, Valerie	Letting Go of Bobby James, or How I Found Myself of Steam	2004
46.	Jacobson, Sid	9/11 Report, The: A Graphic Adaptation	2006
47.	Kephard, Beth	Undercover	2007
48.	Koertge, Ron	Margaux with an X	2006
49.	Korman, Gordon	Jake, Reinvented	2003
50.	Lawrence, Ian	B is for Buster	2004
51.	Lion, Melissa	Upstream	2005
52.	Lubar, David	Hidden Talents	2003
53.	Maynard, Joyce	Cloud Chamber, The	2005
54.	McCaughrean, Geraldine	White Darkness	2005
55.	McCloud, Scott	Making Comics: Storytelling Secrets of Comics, Manga, and Graphic novels	2006
56.	McCormick, Patricia	Sold	2006
57.	McCready, Robin Merrow	Buried	2006
58.	McDonald, Joyce	Devil on My Heels	2004
59.	McDonnell, Kathleen	1212: Year of the Journey	2007
60.	Mead, Alice	Swimming to America	2005
61.	Meyer, L. A.	Curse of the Blue Tattoo: Being an Account of the Misadventures of Jacky Faber, Midshipman and Fine Lady	2004
62.	Meyer, Stephenie	Eclipse	2007
63.	Mikaelsen, Ben	Tree Girl	2004
64.	Mitchell, Andrea	Talking Back: To Presidents, Dictators, and Assorted Scoundrels	2005
65.	Mlynowski, Sarah	Spells and Sleeping Bags	2007
66.	Murdock, Catherine Gilbert	Dairy Queen	2006
67.	Myers, Walter Dean	Autobiography of My Dead Brother	2005
68.	Napoli, Donna Jo	Bound	2004
69.	Oates, Joyce Carol	Freaky Green Eyes	2003
70.	Oppel, Kenneth	Airborn	2004
71.	Oppenheim, Joanne	Dear Miss Breed	2006
72.	Osa, Nancy	Cuba 15	2003
73.	Parker, Robert B.	Edenville Owls	2007

74.	Patneau, David	Thin Wood Walls	2004
75.	Picoult, Jodi	My Sister's Keeper: A Novel	2005
76.	Rinaldi, Ann	Ever-after bird	2007
77.	Rottman, S. L.	Shadow of a Doubt	2003
78.	Runyon, Brent	The Burn Journals	2004
79.	Salisbury, Graham	Eyes of the Emperor	2005
80.	Scott, Michael Dylan	Alchemist, The: The Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel	2007
81.	Selznick, Brian	Invention of Hugo Cabret, The: A Novel in Words and Pictures	2007
82.	Shinn, Sharon	The SafeKeeper's Daughter	2004
83.	Silverstein, Ken	Radioactive Boy Scout	2005
84.	Sis, Peter	The Wall: Growing Up Behind the Iron Curtain	2007
85.	Sones, Sonya	One of Those Hideous Books Where the Mother Dies	2004
86.	Sorrells, Walter	Fake ID	2005
87.	Strasser, Todd	Can't Get There From Here	2004
88.	Stroud, Jonathan	Ptolemy's Gate	2006
89.	Tan, Shaun	The Arrival	2007
90.	Volponi, Paul	Black and White	2006
91.	Werlin, Nancy	Rules for Survival	2006
92.	Westerfeld, Scott	Peeps	2007
93.	Wintz, Cary D.	Harlem Speaks: A Living History of the Harlem Renaissance	2007
94.	Wittlinger, Ellen	Blind Faith	2006
95.	Wynne-Jones, Tim	A Thief in the House of Memory	2004
96.	Yang, Gene	American-born Chinese	2006
97.	Yeomans, Ellen	Rubber Houses: A Novel	2007
98.	Zarr, Sara	Story of a Girl	2007
99.	Zeises, Laura	Contents Under Pressure	2004
100.	Zusak, Markus	The Book Thief	2006