ATA 7TH & 8TH GRADE READING LIST

The purpose of this Reading List is to support the mission of ATA: to provide students with a strong foundation of knowledge. When a student graduates from ATA, s/he will have read at least 30 quality literature books and completed reports on them. Four book reports per year are required in 1st through 8th grade, with the exception of some grades requiring a special report in place of a book report.

ATA recognizes that every book on the Reading List may not be completely suitable or appropriate for every child. Therefore, it is the parent's responsibility to pre-screen the book for his or her child if s/he is concerned about a book's content.

A student may pick any book from the Reading List for his or her book report as long as 1) the book is at or above the student's current grade level and 2) is not an adapted version of the story (i.e., it should not say "Adapted by..." on the title page). Book report books do not have to meet a certain genre or page requirement.

Book titles listed in bold at the end of each grade level list are unavailable for book report selection. These books have been selected by the teacher to read and study in class together.

For more information on Lexile levels please refer to www.lexile.com.

Title	Author	Lexile Level	Type of Book	ATA Library Copies
Watership Down	Adams, Richard	880L		X
Born Free: A Lioness of Two Worlds	Adamson, Joy	1180L		
(The) Eight Cousins	Alcott, Louisa May	1260L		Х
Jack and Jill	Alcott, Louisa May			
Jo's Boys	Alcott, Louisa May	1210L		Х
Little Men	Alcott, Louisa May	1260L		Х
Little Women	Alcott, Louisa May	750L		Х
(An) Old-Fashioned Girl	Alcott, Louisa May	1290L		
Rose in Bloom	Alcott, Louisa May	1360L		Х
Under the Lilacs	Alcott, Louisa May			
(A) Lantern in Her Hand	Aldrich, Bess	1020L		
(The) Black Cauldron	Alexander, Lloyd	760L		Х
(The) Book of Three	Alexander, Lloyd	770L		Х
(The) Castle of Llyr	Alexander, Lloyd	790L		Х

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(The) High King	Alexander, Lloyd	900L		Х
(The) Taran Wanderer	Alexander, Lloyd	870L		
Andersen's Fairy Tales	Andersen, Hans Christian	860L		
God's Smuggler	Andrew, Brother & Sherrill, John			
Sounder	Armstrong, William	900L		Х
Northanger Abby	Austen, Jane			Х
Pride and Prejudice	Austen, Jane	1100L		Х
National Velvet	Bagnold, Enid	700L		Х
(The) Day Lincoln Was Shot	Bishop, Jim	1020L		
They Called Themselves the KKK	Bartoletti, Susan Campbell	1180L		
Lorna Doone	Blackmore, Richard D.	830L		
(The) Boy in the Striped Pajamas	Boyne, John	1080L		Х
Dandelion Wine	Bradbury, Ray	880L		Х
(The) Martian Chronicles	Bradbury, Ray	740L		Х
Something Wicked This Way Comes	Bradbury, Ray	820L		
Jane Eyre	Bronte, Charlotte	1040L		Х
Wuthering Heights	Bronte, Emily	880L		Х
(The) Thirty-Nine Steps	Buchan, John	1000L		
(The) Good Earth	Buck, Pearl S.	1530L		Х
(The) Last Days of Pompeii	Bulwer-Lytton, Edward G.	1150L		
Secret Garden	Burnett, Frances Hodgson	710L		Х
(The) Incredible Journey	Burnford, Sheila	1320L		Х
Tarzan of the Apes	Burroughs, Edgar Rice	1000L		X
Stanley's Africa	Busoni, Rafaello			

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(The) Pinballs	Byars, Betsy	600L		Х
Ender's Game	Card, Orson Scott	780L		
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland	Carroll, Lewis	590L		Х
Silent Spring	Carson, Rachel L.	1340L		Х
(The) Death on the Nile	Christie, Agatha	660L		
Murder on the Orient Express	Christie, Agatha	640L		
Ten Little Indians	Christie, Agatha			X
(The) Golden Fleece: And The Heros Who Lived Before Achilles	Colum, Padriac	1070L		Х
(The) Great Declaration	Commager, Henry Steele			Х
(The) Deerslayer	Cooper, James Fenimore	1340L		Х
(The) Last of the Mohicans	Cooper, James Fenimore	1270L		Х
(The) Pathfinder	Cooper, James Fenimore			Х
(The) Spy, A Tale of Neutral Ground	Cooper, James Fenimore			Х
Middle Ages	Corbishley, Mike			
(The) Silver Chalice	Costain, Thomas			
(The) Red Badge of Courage	Crane, Stephen	890L		
Fifteen Decisive Battles of the World: From Marathon to Waterloo	Creasy, Edward Shepherd			
(The) Keys of the Kingdom	Cronin, A. J.			
Madame Curie	Curie, Eve	1060L		
Two Years Before the Mast	Dana, Richard Henry	1290L		
Landslide	Day, Veronique			Х
(The) Diamond Necklace and Four Other Stories	DeMaupassant, Guy			
I, Juan De Pareja	DeTrevino,Borton, Elizabeth	1100L		X

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Robinson Crusoe	DeFoe, Daniel	920L		Х
A Christmas Carol	Dickens, Charles	900L		Х
David Copperfield	Dickens, Charles	1070L		Х
Great Expectations	Dickens, Charles	1150L		Х
Oliver Twist	Dickens, Charles	1230L		X
Hans Brinker or the Silver Skates	Dodge, Mary Maples	1020L		X
Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass	Douglass, Frederick	920L		Х
(The) Hound of the Baskervilles	Doyle, Arthur Conan (Sir)	980L		Х
(The) Count of Monte Cristo	Dumas, Alexandre	780L		Х
(The) Three Musketeers	Dumas, Alexandre	990L		
Drums Along the Mohawk	Edmonds, Walter D.	830L		
Silas Marner	Eliot, George	1310L		Х
(The) Praise of Folly	Erasmus, Desiderius			
Calico Bush	Field, Rachel	1060L		
Hitty: Her First Hundred Years	Field, Rachel	1180L		
Horatio Hornblower	Forrester, C. S.			
George Washington's World	Foster, Genevieve			X
(The) World of Captain John Smith	Foster, Genevieve			
(The) Slave Dancer	Fox, Paula	970L		Х
Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl	Frank, Anne	1080L		X
(The) Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin	Franklin, Benjamin	1370L		Х
Freedom Walkers	Freedman, Russell	1110L		Х
Lincoln: A Photobiography	Freedman, Russell	NC1040L		Х

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Stonewall	Fritz, Jean	1030L		Х
Julie of the Wolves	George, Jean Craighead	860L		Х
Shark Beneath the Reef	George, Jean Craighead	800L		Х
Belles on Their Toes	Gilbreth, Frank B & Carey, Ernestine Gilbreth	890L		
Cheaper by the Dozen	Gilbreth, Frank B. and Carey, Ernestine Gilbreth	890L		х
Old Yeller	Gipson, Fred	910L		Х
Lord of the Flies	Golding, William	770L		
(The) Diary of Anne Frank	Goodrich, Frances and Hackett, Albert	1080L		
(The) Boy Who Sailed Around the World Alone	Graham, Robin L. & Gill, Derek L.T.			
(The) Wind in the Willows	Grahame, Kenneth	1140L		Х
Greek Gods and Heroes	Graves, Robert	990L		Х
Adam of the Road	Gray, Elizabeth Janet	1030L		Х
King Arthur and His Knights of the Round Table	Green, Richard L.	1130L		
Death Be Not Proud: A Memoir	Gunter, John J.	1060L		
(The) Man Without A Country	Hale, Edward Everett			
Medieval Days and Ways	Hartman, Gertrude			
Paul Harvey's The Rest of the Story	Harvey, Paul	900L		
(The) Endless Steppe	Hautzig, Esther	940L		X
House of Seven Gables	Hawthorne, Nathaniel	1320L		X
(The) Old Man and the Sea	Hemingway, Ernest	1370L		X
All Creatures Great and Small	Herriot, James	990L		X

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All Things Bright and Beautiful	Herriot, James	1070L		•
All Things Wise and Wonderful	Herriot, James	940L		
(The) Lord God Made Them All	Herriot, James	990L		
Hiroshima	Hersey, John R.	1190L		Х
Aku Aku: the Secret of Easter Island	Heyerdahl, Thor			
Kon-Tiki: Across the Pacific by Raft	Heyerdahl, Thor	1310L		
Goodbye, Mr. Chips	Hilton, James	930L		
(The) Clay Marble	Ho, Minfong	860L		
Farewell to Manzanar	Houston, James D. & Wakatsuki, Jeanne	1040L		Х
Tom Brown's School Days	Hughes, Thomas	1000L		
Across Five Aprils	Hunt, Irene	1100L		Х
Up a Road Slowly	Hunt, Irene	1130L		
(The) Legend of Sleepy Hollow	Irving, Washington	1380L		Х
Our Eddie	Ish-Kishor, Sulamith			
Ramona	Jackson, Helen Hunt	870L		
Thomas Jefferson: Champion of the People	Judson, Clara			
(The) Ordinary Princess	Kaye, Mary Margaret	1090L		Х
Rifles for Watie	Keith, Harold	910L		
(The) Story of My Life	Keller, Helen	1090L		X
(The) Trumpeter of Krakow	Kelly, Eric P.	1200L		
Profiles in Courage	Kennedy, John F.	1410L		
Captains Courageous	Kipling, Rudyard	1020L		X
(The) Jungle Book	Kipling, Rudyard	1020L		X

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Kim	Kipling, Rudyard	950L		X
Rikki Tikki Tavi and the White Seal	Kipling, Rudyard			
Irish Red	Kjelgaard, Jim	890L		
Onion John	Krumgold, Joseph	710L		
Tales From Shakespeare	Lamb, Charles	1390L		
(The) Arabian Nights Entertainments	Lang, Andrew	1270L		
Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo	Lawson, Ted			
(The) Horse and His Boy	Lewis, C. S.	970L		Х
(The) Last Battle	Lewis, C. S.	8920L		Х
(The) Magician's Nephew	Lewis, C. S.	790L		Х
Out of the Silent Planet	Lewis, C. S.	1020L		Х
Perelandra	Lewis, C. S.	1020L		Х
(The) Pilgrim's Regress	Lewis, C. S.			
Prince Caspian	Lewis, C. S.			Х
(The) Silver Chair	Lewis, C. S.	840L		Х
That Hideous Strength	Lewis, C. S.	960L		X
Voyage of the Dawn Treader	Lewis, C. S.	970L		X
Young Fu of the Upper Yangtze	Lewis, Elizabeth	890L		X
(The) Boy on the Wooden Box	Leyson, Leon	1000L		
(The) Call of the Wild	London, Jack	990L		X
(The) Sea-Wolf	London, Jack	880L		
White Fang	London, Jack	890L		X
(A) Night to Remember	Lord, Walter	950L		
The Giver	Lowry, Lois	760L		X

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Title	Author	Lexile Level	Type of Book	ATA Library Copies
Castle	Macaulay, David	1180L		
Cathedral: The Story of Its Construction	Macaulay, David	1120L		
City: A Story of Roman Planning and Construction	Macaulay, David	1100L		
(A) Roman Fort (Inside Story)	MacDonald, Fionna			
Guns of Navarone	MacLean, Alistair			
(The) Romans	Marks, Anthony			
Christy	Marshall, Catherine	930L		
(A) Man Called Peter: The Story of Peter Marshall	Marshall, Catherine			
Moccasin Trail	McGraw, Eloise Jarvis	960L		
Snow Treasure	McSwigan, Marie	690L		Х
Invincible Louisa	Meigs, Cornelia	1150L		Х
Anne of Green Gables Series	Montgomery, L.M. (Lucy)	550L-910L		Х
Little Britches: Father and I Were Ranchers	Moody, Ralph	1090L		
Gentle Ben	Morey, Walt	740L		Х
(The) Great Fire	Murphy, Jim	1130L		Х
(The) Long Road to Gettysburg	Murphy, Jim	1070L		Х
Mutiny on the Bounty	Nordhoff, Charles	1080L		
(The) King's Fifth	O'Dell, Scott	840L		Х
My Friend Flicka	O'Hara, Mary	960L		
Thunderhead	O'Hara, Mary			
Scarlet Pimpernel	Orczy, Baroness	1140L		Х
Animal Farm	Orwell, George	1170L		Х

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(The) Oregon Trail	Parkman, Francis	1190L		•
Bridge to Terabithia	Paterson, Katherine	810L		Х
Jacob Have I Loved	Paterson, Katherine	880L		Х
(The) Master Puppeteer	Paterson, Katherine	860L		Х
Cry, The Beloved Country	Paton, Alan	860L		Х
Something for Joey	Peck, Richard E.	860L		Х
(A) Day No Pigs Would Die	Peck, Robert Newton	690L		Х
Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad	Petry, Ann Lane	1000L		
(The) Iliad of Homer	Picard, Barbara Leonie			
Pollyanna	Porter, Eleanor Hodgman	790L		Х
True Grit	Portis, Charles	800L		
Men of Iron	Pyle, Howard	1210L		Х
(The) Merry Adventures of Robin Hood	Pyle, Howard	900L		Х
Anthem	Rand, Ayn	1010L		Х
(The) Yearling	Rawlings, Marjorie K.	750L		Х
(The) Light in the Forest	Richter, Conrad	870L		X
(The) Year of the Jeep	Robertson, Keith			
Wilma	Rudolph, Wilma			
Captain Blood	Sabatini, Rafael			
Abe Lincoln Grows Up	Sandberg, Carl	1260L		Х
(The) Jim Thorpe Story: America's Greatest Athlete	Schoor, Gene			
Out of My Life and Thought: An Autobiography	Schweitzer, Albert			
Ivanhoe	Scott, Sir Walter	1410L		Х

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(The) Heart of Midlothian	Scott, Walter (Sir)			-
Waverly	Scott, Walter (Sir)			
(The) Battle of the Bulge	Sears, Stephen W.			
(The) Singing Tree	Seredy, Kate	770L		
(The) White Stag	Seredy, Kate	1020L		Х
As You Like It	Shakespeare, William	NC1120L		
(The) Comedy of Errors	Shakespeare, William	910L		
(The) Greenleaf Guide to Famous Men of Middle Ages	Shearer, Cyndy and Robert			
New Found World	Shippen, Katherine Binney			
Quo Vadis	Sienkiewicz, Henryk	850L		
(A) Tree Grows in Brooklyn	Smith, Betty	810L		Х
One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich	Solzhenitsyn, Aleksandr	900L		Х
Plain Girl	Sorenson, Virginia	710L		Х
(The) Bronze Bow	Speare, Elizabeth G.	760L		Х
(The) Witch of Blackbird Pond	Speare, Elizabeth G.	850L		X
Heidi	Spryi, Johanna	1200L		Х
(The) Pearl	Steinbeck, John	1000L		Х
(The) Red Pony	Steinbeck, John	810L		Х
(The) Black Arrow	Stevenson, Robert Louis	980L		Х
Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde	Stevenson, Robert Louis	1040L		Х
Kidnapped	Stevenson, Robert Louis	780L		Х
Treasure Island	Stevenson, Robert Louis	760L		Х
Uncle Tom's Cabin	Stowe, Harriet Beecher	1050L		X
(A) Girl of Limberlost	Stratton-Porter, Gene	850L		

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Warrior Scarlet	Sutcliff, Rosemary			-
Gulliver's Travels	Swift, Jonathon	1300L		Х
(A) Tale of a Tub	Swift, Jonathon			
Penrod	Tarkington, Booth			
Harriet Tubman Antislavery Activist	Taylor, M. W.			
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Taylor, Mildred	920L		Х
(The) Hiding Place	Ten Boom, Corrie	900L		X
Lord of the Rings Series	Tolkien, J. R. R.	810L-1000L		X
Mater and Man	Tolstoy, Leo			
(The) Story of the Trapp Family Singers	Trapp, Maria A.	950L		
(The) Adventures of Huckleberry Finn	Twain, Mark	850L		X
(The) Adventures of Tom Sawyer	Twain, Mark	970L		X
(A) Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court	Twain, Mark	1080L		Х
Life on the Mississippi	Twain, Mark	1090L		Х
(The) Prince and the Pauper	Twain, Mark	620L		Х
Banner in the Sky	Ullman, James Ramsey	680L		X
(The) Story of Mankind	Van Loon, Hendrick	1260L		
Around the World in Eighty Days	Verne, Jules	1070L		X
Five Weeks in a Balloon	Verne, Jules			
Journey to the Center of the Earth	Verne, Jules	1040L		X
(The) Mysterious Island	Verne, Jules	GN510L		
Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea	Verne, Jules	1030L		X
Pride of Puerto Rico: The Life of Roberto Clemente	Walker, Paul Robert	800L		

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Ben Hur	Wallace, Lew	990L		Х
Disasters at Sea	Watson, Milton H.			
(The) Invisible Man	Wells, H. G.	960L		Х
(The) Island of Dr. Moreau	Wells, H. G.	990L		
(The) Time Machine	Wells, H. G.	1070L		Х
(The) War of the Worlds	Wells, H. G.	1020L		Х
Adolph Hitler (World Leaders Past & Present)	Wepman, Dennis & Schlesinger, Arthur Meier			
(The) Sword in the Stone	White, T.H.	1120L		
Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm	Wiggin, Kate Douglas	1160L		Х
Our Town	Wilder, Thornton	NP		Х
(The) Cross and the Switchblade	Wilkerson, David	880L		
(The) Virginian	Wister, Owen	690L		Х
Abigail Adams: First Lady of Faith and Courage	Witter, Evelyn			
Shadow of the Bull	Wojciechowska, Maia	740L		Х
They Call Me Coach	Wooden, John			
Beau Geste	Wren, Percival Christopher			
(The) Swiss Family Robinson	Wyss, Johann			
Amos Fortune, Free Man	Yates, Elizabeth	1090L		Х
Testament of Vision	Zylstra, Henry			

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Books studied in 7th Grade- these may not be read for book reports

- The Hobbit (J.R.R. Tolkien)
- A Christmas Carol (Charles Dickens)
- The Tempest (William Shakespeare)
- Animal Farm (George Orwell)
- King Authur and His Knights of the Roundtable (Roger Lancelyn Green)

Books studied in 8th Grade- these may not be read for book reports

- Night (Elie Wiesel)
- A Midsummers Night Dream (William Shakespeare)
- War of the Worlds (H.G. Wells)
- To Kill a Mockingbird (Harper Lee)
- The Count of Monte Cristo (Alexandre Dumas)

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