

## GRAPHIC NOVELS

Bosma, Sam. *Fantasy Sports* (series). When two mages raid a mummy's tomb for magical items, they run into the mummy itself, who challenges them to a some one-on-one on the basketball court.

Cloonan, Becky. *Welcome to Gotham Academy* (series). The most prestigious school in Gotham City: only the best and brightest students may enter its halls, study in its classrooms, explore its secret passages, summon its terrifying spirits.

Gaiman, Neil and P. Craig Russell. *The Graveyard Book*, Volumes 1 & 2. A lush adaptation of the Newbery Award winner. Nobody Owens is a normal boy, except that he has been raised by ghosts and other denizens of the graveyard.

Hicks, Faith Erin. *Friends With Boys*. After an idyllic childhood being homeschooled, Maggie enrolls in public high school, where interacting with her peers is complicated by a melancholy ghost that follows her.

Lewis, John. *March*, Books 1 & 2. A firsthand account of Congressman John Lewis' lifelong struggle for civil and human rights. Rooted in Lewis' personal story, it also reflects on the highs and lows of the broader civil rights movement.

Stevenson, Noelle. *Nimona*. Nimona is an impulsive young shapeshifter with a knack for villainy. Lord Ballister Blackheart is a villain with a vendetta. As sidekick and supervillain, Nimona and Lord Blackheart are about to wreak some serious havoc.

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## SEVENTH GRADE RECOMMENDED READING LIST

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## FICTION

Abdel-Fattah, Randa. *Does My Head Look Big in This?* When Amal decides to wear the hijab full-time, her entire world changes.

Acampora, Paul. *I Kill the Mockingbird*. When best friends Lucy, Elena, and Michael receive their summer reading list, they are excited *To Kill a Mockingbird* is included, but not everyone shares their enthusiasm.

Alexander, Kwame. *The Crossover*. Twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with drama on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health.

Auxier, Jonathan. *The Night Gardener*. Irish orphans Molly and Kip travel to England to work as servants in a crumbling manor house where nothing is quite what it seems to be.

Bardugo, Leigh. *Six of Crows*. Six dangerous outcasts. One impossible heist. Kaz's crew is the only thing that might stand between the world and destruction—if they don't kill each other first.

Cody, Matthew. *Will in Scarlet*. In the late 1100s, Will, the future Lord of Shackley, is exiled to Sherwood Forest. There he meets Robin Hood and the Merry Men and joins them to try to retake Shackley Castle.

D'Lacey, Chris. *A Dark Inheritance*. When Michael Malone saves a dog, he discovers that he has paranormal abilities, which bring him to the attention of a secret organization.

Frost, Helen. *Hidden*. When Wren and Darra meet at a Michigan summer camp, both are overwhelmed by memories from six years earlier, when Darra's father stole a car, unaware that Wren was hiding in the back.

Johnson, Jaleigh. *Mark of the Dragonfly*. When Piper finds a mysterious girl among the wreckage in the Meteor Fields, her life takes an exciting, magical turn.

Lai, Thanhha. *Listen Slowly*. The summer before she turns 13, Mai is planning to spend her time going to the beach and finally talking to her secret crush, not accompanying her grandmother to Vietnam.

Maguire, Gregory. *Egg and Spoon*. Impoverished Russian country girl Elena and the aristocratic Ekatrina meet and set in motion an escapade that includes mistaken identity, a monk locked in a tower, a prince traveling incognito and the witch Baba Yaga.

Meyer, Marissa. *Cinder* (series). Humans and androids crowd the raucous streets of New Beijing. A deadly plague ravages the population. From space, a ruthless lunar people watch, waiting to make their move.

Patrick, J. Nelle. *Tsarina*. Within the walls of Russia's Winter Palace, Natalya seeks a magical Fabergé egg containing the power of the land and, possibly, a life of love for her and Alexei Romanov.

Pearsall, Shelley. *Jump Into the Sky*. In 1945, 13-year-old Levi is sent to find the father he has not seen in three years. When they're united, he learns his father's unit, the all-black 555th paratrooper battalion, will never see combat but finally has a mission.

Priest, Cherie. *I Am Princess X*. Years after writing stories about a superheroine character she created with a best friend who died in a tragic car accident, May is shocked to see images of the superheroine appearing around Seattle.

Ross, Elizabeth. *Belle Epoque*. Maude, a plain, impoverished girl in Belle Epoque Paris, is hired by Countess Dubern to make her headstrong daughter, Isabelle, look more beautiful by comparison.

Scieszka, Jon (editor). *Guys Read* (series). Short story anthologies with something for everyone! Reach for *True Stories*, *Other Worlds*, *Funny Stuff*, *Thriller*, or *The Sports Pages*.

Smith, Jennifer E. *This Is What Happy Looks Like*. Perfect strangers Graham and Ellie strike up an email friendship when Graham mistypes an address and accidentally reaches Ellie. They live across the country and don't even know each other's first names, let alone that Graham is a famous actor.

Stead, Rebecca. *Goodbye Stranger*. As Bridge makes her way through seventh grade with her best friends, she finds the answer she has been seeking since she barely survived an accident at age 8: "What is my purpose?"

Vande Velde, Vivian. *Heir Apparent*. While playing a total immersion virtual reality game of kings and intrigue, 14-year-old Giannine learns that demonstrators have damaged the equipment to which she is connected. She must win the game quickly or be damaged herself.

## NONFICTION

Bolden, Tonya. *Searching for Sarah Rector: The Richest Black Girl in America* (BIO REC).

Farrell, Mary Cronk. *Pure Grit: How American World War II Nurses Survived Battle and Prison Camp in the Pacific* (940.54 FAR).

Fleming, Candace. *The Family Romanov: Murder, Rebellion, and the Fall of Imperial Russia* (947.08 FLE).

Hopkinson, Deborah. *Titanic: Voices From the Disaster* (910.916 HOP).

Murphy, Jim. *Invincible Microbe: Tuberculosis and the Never-Ending Search for a Cure* (616.995 MUR).

Rusch, Elizabeth. *Mighty Mars Rovers: The Incredible Adventures of Spirit and Opportunity* (523.43 RUS).

Sheinkin, Steve. *Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights* (940.54 SHE).

Stone, Tanya Lee. *Courage Has No Color: The True Story of the Triple Nickles, America's First Black Paratroopers* (940.54 STO).