



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).

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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. Alphin, Elaine Marie	Perfect, Shot, The	2005
6. Anderson, M.T.	Astonishing life of Octavian Nothing, traitor to the nation: the pox party, The	2006
7. Andronik, Catherine M.	Wildly Romantic: The English Romantic Poets: The Mad, the Bad, and the Dangerous	2007
8. Baptiste, Tracey	Angel's Grace	2005
9. Bausum, Ann	Freedom Riders: John Lewis and Jim Zwerg on the front lines of the civil rights movement	2006
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. Caletti, Deb	Honey, Baby, Sweetheart	2004
14. Cappo, Nan Willard	Cheating Lessons	2006
15. Carnarsie, Alexandra	My life and death	2006
16. Carter, Ally	I'd Tell You I Loved You but Then I'd Have to Kill You	2006
17. Chima, Cinda Williams	Warrior Heir	2006
18. Choice, Lesley	Thunderbowl	2004
19. Cooney, Caroline B.	Code Orange	2005
20. Corrigan, Eireann	Splintering	2004
21. Crutcher, Chris	Sledding hill, The	2005
22. Curtis, Christopher Paul	Bucking the Sarge	2004
23. Davis, Sampson, George Jenkins	We Beat the Streets	2006
24. Dessen, Sarah	Lock and Key	2008
25. Draper, Sharong	Copper Sun	2006
26. Durbin, Willilam	Darkest Evening, The	2004
27. Engle, Margarita	Poet Slave of Cuba, The: a biography of Juan Francisco Manzano	2006
28. Esckilsen, Erik E.	Offsides	2004
29. Flake, Sharon	Who am I without him?	2004
30. Fletcher, Susan	Alphabet of Dreams	2006
31. Flinn, Alex	Nothing to Lose	2004
32. Fredericks, Mariah	Crunch Time	2006
33. Freedman, Russell	Freedom Walkers: the story of the Montgomery bus boycott	2006

34. Fusco, Kimberly Newton	Tending to Grace	2004
35. Gratz, Alan	Samurai Shortstop	2006
36. Gravelle, Karen	Driving book: everything new drivers need to know but don't know to ask	2005
37. Green, John	Abundance of Katherines	2006
38. Hartinger, Brent	Last Chance Texaco, The	2004
39. Heifer, Andrew & Randy Duburke	Malcolm X: A graphic biography	2006
40. Hillman, Laura	I will plant you a lilac tree: a memoir of a Schindler's list survivor	2005
41. Hinds, Gareth	Beowulf	2007
42. Hobbs, Valerie	Letting go of Bobby James, or How I Found Myself of Steam	2004
43. Jacobson, Sid	911 Report, The: a graphic adaptation	2006
44. Kephard, Beth	Undercover	2007
45. Koertge, Ron	Margaux with an X	2006
46. Korman, Gordon	Jake, Reinvented	2003
47. Lawrence, Ian	B is for Buster	2004
48. Lion, Melissa	Upstream	2005
49. Lubar, David	Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie	2005
50. Maynard, Joyce	Cloud Chamber, The	2005
51. McCaughrean, Geraldine	White Darkness	2005
52. McCloud, Scott	Making Comics: Storytelling Secrets of Comics, Manga and Graphic Novels	2006
53. McCormick, Patricia	Sold	2006
54. McCready, Robin Merrow	Buried	2006
55. McDonald, Joyce	Devil on My Heels	2004
56. McDonnell, Kathleen	1212: year of the journey	2007
57. Mead, Alice	Swimming to America	2005
58. Meyer, L. A	Curse of the blue tattoo : being an account of the misadventures of Jacky Faber, midshipman and fine lady	2004
59. Meyer, Stephanie	Eclipse	2007
60. Mikaelson, Ben	Tree Girl	2004
61. Mitchell, Andrea	Talking Back...to presidents, dictators, and assorted scoundrels	2005
62. Mlynowski, Sarah	Spells and Sleeping Bags	2007
63. Mortenson, Greg	Three cups of tea : one man's mission to promote peace--one school at a time	2006
64. Murdock, Catherine Gilbert	Off Season, The	2008
65. Myers, Walter Dean	Autobiography of my Dead Brother	2005
66. Napoli, Donna Jo	Bound	2004
67. Nelson, Marilyn	Wreath for Emmett Till, A	2005
68. Oates, Joyce Carol	Freaky Green Eyes	2003
69. Opper, Kenneth	Airborn	2004

70. Oppenheim, Joanne	Dear Miss Breed	2006
71. Osa, Nancy	Cuba 15	2003
72. Parker, Robert B.	Edenville Owls	2007
73. Patneau, David	Thin Wood Walls	2004
74. Picoult, Jodi	My sister's keeper: a novel	2005
75. Rinaldi, Ann	Ever-after bird	2007
76. Rottman, S. L.	Shadow of a Doubt	2003
77. Rowling, J. K.	Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince	2005
78. Runyon, Brent	Burn journals, The	2004
79. Salisbury, Graham	Eyes of the emperor	2005
80. Scott, Michael Dylan	Alchemist, The: the secrets of the immortal Nicholas Flamel	2007
81. Shinn, Sharon	SafeKeeper's Daughter, The	2004
82. Silverstein, Ken	Radioactive boy scout	2005
83. Sis, Peter	Wall, The: Growing up behind the Iron Curtain	2007
84. Sones, Sonya	One of Those Hideous Books where the Mother Dies	2004
85. Sorrells, Walter	Fake ID	2005
86. Strasser, Todd	Can't Get There From Here	2004
87. Stroud, Jonathan	Ptolemy's Gate	2006
88. Volponi, Paul	Black and White	2006
89. Werlin, Nancy	Rules for Survival	2006
90. Westerfield, Scott	Peeps	2005
91. Wintz, Cary D.	Harlem speaks : a living history of the Harlem Renaissance	2007
92. Wittlinger, Ellen	Blind Faith	2006
93. Wynne-Jones	Thief in the House of Memory, A	2004
94. Yang, Gene	American-born Chinese	2006
95. Yeomans, Ellen	Rubber Houses: a novel	2007
96. Yolen, Jane	Pay the Piper	2005
97. Zarr, Sara	Story of a girl	2007
98. Zeises, Laura	Contents Under Pressure	2004
99. Zevin, Gabrielle	Elsewhere	2005
100. Zusak, Markus	Book Thief	2006