

2010-11 Middle School Name That Book Title List

Title	Author	Lexile	Genre	Summary
All the broken pieces: A novel in verse	Burg, Ann E.	680	Historical fiction	Two years after being airlifted out of Vietnam in 1975, Matt Pin is haunted by the terrible secret he left behind and, now, in a loving adoptive home in the United States, a series of profound events forces him to confront his past.
At her majesty's request: an African princess in Victorian England	Myers, Walter Dean	1070	Biography	Biography of the African princess saved from execution and taken to England where Queen Victoria oversaw her upbringing and where she lived for a time before marrying an African missionary.
Bull Rider	Williams, Suzanne Morgan	650	Realistic fiction	When his older brother, a bull-riding champion, returns from the Iraq War partially paralyzed, fourteen-year-old Cam takes a break from skateboarding to enter a bull-riding contest, in hopes of winning the \$15,000 prize and motivating his depressed brother to continue with his rehabilitation.
Claim to Fame	Haddix, Margaret Peterson	770	Fiction-extrasensory perception	Sixteen-year-old Lindsay, a former child star whose career ended when she developed the ability to hear what anyone, anywhere says about her and apparently suffered a nervous breakdown, comes to see this as an asset when, after her father's death, she learns that she is not alone.
Deeper	Gordon, Roderick	950	Fiction-archaeology	As Will Burrows continues to search for his lost archaeologist father in the strange underground world he has discovered, he stumbles across a sinister plot with terrible implications for the world above.
Demon King	Chima, Cinda Williams	760	Fantasy	Relates the intertwining fates of former street gang leader Han Alister and headstrong Princess Raisa, as Han takes possession of an amulet that once belonged to an evil wizard and Raisa uncovers a conspiracy in the Grey Wolf Court.
Donut Days	Zielin, Lara	830	Realistic fiction	During a camp-out promoting the opening of a donut shop in a small Minnesota town, sixteen-year-old Emma, an aspiring journalist, begins to connect an ongoing pollution investigation with the turmoil in the evangelical Christian church where her parents are pastors.
The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate	Kelly, Jacqueline	830	Historical fiction	In central Texas in 1899, eleven-year-old Callie Vee Tate is instructed to be a lady by her mother, learns about love from the older three of her six brothers, and studies the natural world with her grandfather, the latter of which leads to an important discovery.
Fire	Cashore, Kristin	870	Fantasy	In a kingdom called the Dells, Fire is the last human-shaped monster, with unimaginable beauty and the ability to control the minds of those around her, but even with these gifts she cannot escape the strife that overcomes her world.
The Girl Who Could Fly	Forester, Victoria	920	Fantasy	When homeschooled farm girl Piper McCloud reveals her ability to fly, she is quickly taken to a secret government facility to be trained with other exceptional children, but she soon realizes that something is very wrong and begins working with brilliant and wealthy Conrad to escape.
The Girlfriend Material	Kantor, Melissa	860	Realistic fiction	When Kate and her mother stay in Cape Cod for the summer, Kate falls for Adam, but is afraid he might consider her merely as a carefree fling.
The Great Fire	Murphy, Jim	790	Nonfiction	An account of the Great Chicago Fire combines archival photographs and drawings with personal accounts by its survivors and historical documents.

Heist Society	Carter, Ally	870	Fiction-crime	A group of teenagers uses their combined talents to re-steal several priceless paintings and save fifteen-year-old Kat Bishop's father, himself an international art thief, from a vengeful collector.
The Hunt for the Seventh	Morton-Shaw, Christine	660	Horror	When his father starts a new job at Minerva Hall as gardener, twelve-year-old Jim discovers an ancient curse that needs to be unraveled before disaster happens.
Hush, Hush	Fitzpatrick, Becca	640	Supernatural Thriller	High school sophomore Nora has always been very cautious in her relationships, but when Patch, who has a dark side she can sense, enrolls at her school, she is mysteriously and strongly drawn to him, despite warnings from her best friend, the school counselor, and her own instincts.
Jessica's Guide to Dating on the Dark side	Fantaskey, Beth	700	Fantasy	Seventeen-year-old Jessica, adopted and raised in Pennsylvania, learns that she is descended from a royal line of Romanian vampires and that she is betrothed to a vampire prince, who poses as a foreign exchange student while courting her.
Killer Pizza: A Novel	Taylor, Greg	770	Horror	While working as summer employees in a local pizza parlor, three teenagers are recruited by an underground organization of monster hunters.
A long way gone: memoirs of a boy soldier	Beah, Ishmael	920	Autobiography	In a heart-wrenching, candid autobiography, a human rights activist offers a firsthand account of war from the perspective of a former child soldier, detailing the violent civil war that wracked his native Sierra Leone and the government forces that transformed a gentle young boy into a killer as a member of the army.
Maze Runner	Dashner, James	770	Science fiction	Sixteen-year-old Thomas wakes up with no memory in the middle of a maze and realizes he must work with the community in which he finds himself if he is to escape.
My Antonia	Cather, Willa	1010	Classic novel	My Antonia is a classic tale of pioneer life in the American Midwest. The novel details daily life in the newly settled plains of Nebraska through the eyes of Jim Burden, who recounts memories of a childhood shared with a girl named Antonia Shimerda, the daughter of a family who have emigrated from Bohemia.
North of Beautiful	Headley, Justina Chen	850	Realistic fiction	Terra, a sensitive, artistic high school senior born with a facial port-wine stain, struggles with issues of inner and outer beauty with the help of her Goth classmate Jacob.
Notes from the Dog	Paulsen, Gary	760	Realistic fiction	When Johanna shows up at the beginning of summer to house-sit next door to Finn, he has no idea of the profound effect she will have on his life by the time summer vacation is over.
Pop	Korman, Gordon	740	Realistic fiction	Lonely after a midsummer move to a new town, sixteen-year-old high-school quarterback Marcus Jordan becomes friends with a retired professional linebacker who is great at training him, but whose childish behavior keeps Marcus in hot water.
Prophecy of the Sisters	Zink, Michelle	5.4	Fantasy	In late nineteenth-century New York state, wealthy sixteen-year-old twin sisters Lia and Alice Milthorpe find that they are on opposite sides of an ancient prophecy that has destroyed their parents and seeks to do even more harm.
The Red Blazer Girls: The Ring of Rocamadour	Bell, Michael D.	720	Realistic fiction	Catholic-schooled seventh-graders Sophie, Margaret, Rebecca, and Leigh Ann help an elderly neighbor solve a puzzle her father left for her estranged daughter twenty years ago.

The Roar	Clayton, Emma	910	Science fiction	In an overpopulated world where all signs of nature have been obliterated and a wall has been erected to keep out plague-ridden animals, twelve-year-old Mika refuses to believe that his twin sister was killed after being abducted, and continues to search for her in spite of the dangers he faces in doing so.
School of Fear	Daneshvari, Gitty	880	Realistic fiction	Twelve-year-olds Madeleine, Theo, and Lulu, and thirteen-year-old Garrison, are sent to a remote Massachusetts school to overcome their phobias, but tragedy strikes and the quartet must work together--with no adult assistance--to face their fears.
Season	MacLean, Sarah	900	Mystery/historical	Showing no interest in the sumptuous balls, lavish dinner parties, and country weekends enjoyed by the rest of early nineteenth-century London society, seventeen-year-old Lady Alexandra Stafford seeks adventure as she investigates the puzzling murder of the Earl of Blackmoor, father of devilishly handsome Gavin.
Slob	Potter, Ellen	740	Mystery	Picked on, overweight genius Owen tries to invent a television that can see the past to find out what happened the day his parents were killed.
Someone Named Eva	Wolf, Joan M.	820	Historical fiction	From her home in Lidice, Czechoslovakia, in 1942, eleven-year-old Milada is taken with other blond, blue-eyed children to a school in Poland to be trained as "proper Germans" for adoption by German families, but all the while she remembers her true name and history.
Sweetheart of Prosper County	Alexander, Jill S.	710	Realistic fiction	In a small East Texas town largely ruled by prejudices and bullies, fourteen-year-old Austin sets out to win a ride in the next parade and, in the process, grows in her understanding of friendship and helps her widowed mother through her mourning.
Tentacles	Smith, Roland	740	Science fiction	After the mysterious disappearance of their parents, Marty and Grace go to live with their scientist uncle and accompany him on what soon becomes an increasingly dangerous expedition to New Zealand to track a giant squid.
When You Reach Me	Stead, Rebecca	750	Realistic fiction	As her mother prepares to be a contestant on the 1980s television game show, "The 20,000 Pyramid," a twelve-year-old New York City girl tries to make sense of a series of mysterious notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.
Written in Bone: Buried Lives of Jamestown and Colonial Maryland	Walker, Sally M.	1140	Nonfiction	Takes readers through the process of investigating human remains found at colonial-era sites to reveal causes of death, match remains with the names on the historical records, and determine the skeletons' gender, age at death, nationality, and even economic standing.
Years of Dust	Marrin, Albert	7.4	Nonfiction	Offers a review of the events that led up to and took place during this natural disaster in the Great Plains during the 1930s, and discusses the changes that were instituted in farming and land conservation as a result of it.