

## Summer Reading 2014 Teen's Recommended Readings

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DB: Digital Book, compatible with the digital player

RC: Cassette Book, compatible with the cassette player

BR: Braille Book

### **Code Orange** by Caroline Cooney

Wealthy teenager Mitchell John Blake (Mitty) has delayed starting to write a paper on smallpox for his advanced biology class. His attitude and research become more intense after he finds an envelope containing smallpox scabs, fears contamination, and inadvertently alerts bioterrorists. For grades 6-9.

RC 66309, BR 17938

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### **Christopher Killer: A Forensic Mystery** by Alane Ferguson

Seventeen-year-old Cameryn Mahoney, an assistant to her coroner father in Silverton, Colorado, uses her knowledge of forensic medicine to track a serial killer. When Cameryn's friend Rachel becomes the latest victim, the ensuing investigation puts Cameryn in danger. Some violence. For senior high readers.

RC 64689

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### **Plague: A Gone Novel** by Michael Grant

A deadly flu-like epidemic and a plague of flesh-eating insects threaten the lives of the children at Perdido Beach. Meanwhile, Sam, Astrid, Caine, and Diana struggle with additional doubts and uncertainties. Sequel to Lies (DB 72031). Some violence. For junior and senior high readers.

DB 73351

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### **Rot and Ruin** by Jonathan Maberry

In a post-apocalyptic world, fifteen-year-old Benny Imura has to find a job or forfeit half of his food rations. After debating his options, Benny follows in his brother's footsteps and trains to kill zombies. Violence. For junior and senior high and older readers.

DB 72652

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**Bones Never Lie: How Forensics Helps Solve History's Mysteries** by Elizabeth Macleod

Explores the ways that modern science uncovered the truth behind the suspicious deaths of historical figures such as King Tut, Napoleon, and the Russian princess Anastasia. Includes glossary and a timeline of advances in forensics. For grades 5-8 and older readers.

DB 76500, BR19944

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**Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers** by Mary Roach

Journalist explores the role of dead bodies in science's "boldest strides and weirdest undertakings" throughout history and the twentieth century. Describes such productive, sometimes bizarre, uses for corpses as testing guillotines, studying plane and car crashes, and experimenting with organ transplants, plastic surgery, and other medical procedures. Bestseller.

DB/RC 58302

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**Forest of Hands and Teeth** by Carrie Ryan

Mary seeks knowledge of the world beyond the village's protective fences and the surrounding forest containing the "Unconsecrated"--an aggressive, formerly dead, flesh-eating people. When outsider Gabrielle enters the village, Mary wonders about the Sisterhood's secrets and plans for escape. Some violence. For senior high and older readers.

DB/RC 69192, BR 18828

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**Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy** by Douglas Adams

When Earth is demolished to make room for a galactic freeway, sole survivor Arthur Dent is forced to take up a life of hitchhiking around the cosmos with the aid of his alien friend, Ford Prefect, and a book called the Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy.

DB62183, BR14438

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**Drowned Cities** by Paolo Bacigallupi

In a dark, future America torn by unending civil wars, orphans Mahlia and Mouse barely escape the Drowned Cities. But soon their safety is threatened and Mahlia risks all to save Mouse. Companion to Ship Breaker (DB 71441). Some violence. For senior high and older readers.

DB 74636

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**Ship Breaker** by Paolo Bacigallupi

Teenaged Nailer scavenges precious copper wiring from grounded oil tankers with his crewmates, but when he finds a beached clipper ship and a beautiful girl trapped inside, he must decide whether to strip the materials or rescue the girl. Some strong language. For senior high readers.

DB 71441

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**Enders Game** by Orson Card

In a future Earth engaged in an interstellar war against insectoid aliens, Ender Wiggins is chosen at the age of six to be trained as the military genius who will carry his people to victory. Along with his brother Peter and his sister Valentine, he not only brings the conflict to an end, but also affects the evolution of human society. Strong language.

DB 22934

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**Matched** by Allyson Condie

In a supposedly perfect future world, bureaucrats determine which young adults will marry in a process called the Matching. Cassia is delighted when she is paired with her best friend Xander. Then a different, forbidden boy appears on Cassia's datacard. For senior high and older readers.

DB 73525

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**After the Snow** by S.D. Crockett

Wales. Fifteen-year-old Willo and his family are "stragglers," independent homesteaders who reject the repressive government that seized control after a new ice age brought an era of scarcity. When his family vanishes from their home,

Willo sets out to find--or avenge--them. Some violence. For junior and senior high readers.

DB 75997

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**Maze Runner** by James Dashner

A teenage boy wakes up in an elevator remembering nothing but his name, Thomas. He soon meets a group of boys who welcome him to the Glade--and the unsolved puzzle of the Maze. The next day a girl arrives with an unexpected message. Some violence. For grades 6-9.

DB 72392

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**After Nineteen Stories of Apocalypse and Dystopia** by Ellen Datlow

Nineteen tales by well-known authors of young adult and adult literature explore the lives of teens raised after a catastrophe. In Carolyn Dunn's "Before" an Indian girl dreams of life before her imprisonment by plague victims. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers.

DB 75737, BR 19690

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**The Giver** by Lois Lowry

Jonas lives in a utopia: there is no hunger, no disease, no fear; the elderly are tenderly cared for, and every child has attentive parents. The society is uniformly run. Jonas eagerly awaits the Ceremony of Twelve, when twelve-year-olds receive assignments for their lifelong professions. He is selected to be the new Receiver of Memories. As such he learns of misery and pain, but also of joy and love. For grades 6-9 and older readers. Newbery Medal.

BR 19626

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**Cinder : The Lunar Chronicles, Book 1** by Marissa Meyer

Cinder, a teen cyborg and the best mechanic in New Beijing, labors to support her stepmother--and owner--Adri and Adri's two daughters. But after Cinder's only human friend, her stepsister Peony, is infected with the plague letumosis, Adri volunteers Cinder's body for plague research. For senior high and older readers.

DB 75631

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**Delirium** by Lauren Oliver

Lena eagerly anticipates the government-mandated cure that prevents the delirium of love and leads to a safe, predictable, and happy life. But when Lena's diagnostic evaluation is interrupted by a protest, her greatest fear comes true-- she falls in love. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers.

DB 72820

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**Starters** by Lissa Price

A virus kills everyone between twenty and sixty, orphaning sixteen-year-old Callie and her sick brother. To pay for medicine, Callie has a neurochip installed that allows elderly people to occupy her body and reexperience youth--for a price. But the neurochip malfunctions. Some violence. For senior high and older readers.

DB 75095

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**Million Suns** by Beth Revis

Three months after Elder woke Amy from cryogenic suspension in *Across the Universe* (DB 72924), Elder tries to discover the truth about life on their ship, *Godspeed*. Meanwhile, Amy is torn between waking up her parents and her growing feelings toward Elder. For senior high and older readers.

DB 74371

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**Divergent** by Veronica Roth

In a future Chicago, society is divided into five factions. During the Choosing Ceremony, sixteen-year-old Beatrice Prior must pick her lifelong faction. But Beatrice discovers she is an anomaly--a divergent--who does not fit anywhere. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers.

DB 73203

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**Uglies** by Scott Westerfeld

Tally, at age sixteen, is required to undergo a surgical procedure that would turn her into a beauty. But Tally's new friend, Shay, refuses the operation and runs away. The authorities insist that unless Tally finds Shay, she can't become beautiful. For senior high readers.

RC 61639

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**Blue Flame: The Perfect First Trilogy** by K.M. Grant

Occitania, 1242. Charged as a child to guard the Blue Flame, a sacred relic, Parsifal has lived as a recluse. But now he encounters young lovers torn apart by the violently divided Catholics and Cathars. For senior high readers.

DB 71145

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**Seraphina** by Rachel Hartman

In a world where dragons and humans coexist in an uneasy truce and dragons can assume human form, Seraphina, whose dragon mother died giving birth to her, grapples with her identity amid magical secrets and royal scandals. For senior high and older readers. William C. Morris Award.

DB 76170, BR 19821

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**Makeovers By Marcia** by Claudia Mills

Marcia is concerned about her recent weight gain and whether Alex will invite her to the school dance. Her service hours giving makeovers to residents at a nursing home show Marcia that inner beauty is what really matters. Sequel to Alex Ryan, Stop That! (RC 61976). For grades 5-8.

RC 62437

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**Dark Flame** by Alyson Noel

Haven, drunk on her new powers, threatens Ever's struggle to keep the Immortals a secret. Meanwhile, Ever dabbles in dark magic in hopes of freeing Damen--and her plan backfires. Sequel to Shadowland (DB 71021). Some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers.

DB 73574

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**Speak** by Laurie Anderson

Melinda starts high school ostracized after she called the police during a summer drinking party. What everyone doesn't know is that she was raped and the boy still taunts her in school. Eventually, Melinda chooses to confront the pain and tell someone. For senior high and older readers. Some violence.

DB 49958

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**Go Ask Alice** by Anonymous

Based on the diary of a fifteen-year-old girl who turned to drugs because of her feelings of loneliness and rebellion against the world. Though she tries to stop, she dies of an overdose three weeks after her seventeenth birthday. Strong language. For junior and senior high readers.

BR 10978

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**Forever** by Judy Blume

A young couple fall in love for the first time and promise each other it will last forever. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. For junior and senior high readers.

DB/RC 55595

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**Perks of Being a Wallflower** by Stephen Chbosky

1991. High school freshman Charlie shares his observations in letters to someone he doesn't know. After befriending Patrick, who is gay, and Patrick's stepsister Sam, Charlie becomes more involved in the world around him. Young adult appeal. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Commercial audiobook.

DB 75897, BR 12551

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**My Brother Same is Dead** by James Collier

As the Revolutionary War tragically divides the Meeker family, Tim finds himself caught between his father's loyalty to the King and his brother's fierce support of the rebel cause. For grades 6-9.

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### **Face on the Milk Carton** by Caroline Cooney

The message on the milk carton reads, "Have you seen this child?" Three-year-old Jennie Spring was kidnapped twelve years earlier, but Janie Johnson, looking at the photo, suddenly knows that she is that child. Fragments of memory and other evidence accumulate until Janie demands to know about her early childhood. Her parents confess what they believe true, that she is their grandchild, but Janie remains unconvinced. For junior and senior high readers.

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### **Chocolate War** by Robert Cormier

A freshman in a parochial high school for boys discovers the devastating consequences of refusing to join in the school's annual fund raising drive. His decision provokes the wrath of school bullies and the revenge of a sadistic teacher. Strong language. For junior and senior high readers.

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### **Athletic Shorts Six Short Stories** by Chris Crutcher

In these stories the athlete protagonists deal with issues like racism, homophobia, sexism, and the task of coming to terms with one's parents. Several stories revolve around characters featured in "The Crazy Horse Electric Game (RC 28935)", "Stotan! (RC 25934)", and "Running Loose (RC 21102)". The locales for the stories are small towns in Montana and Idaho. For junior and senior high readers.

Download from BARD: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.38285>

### **Mick Harte Was Here** by Barbara Park

Eighth-grader Phoebe Harte's twelve-year-old brother, Mick, was recently killed in a bike accident. As she and her parents struggle with their grief, Phoebe remembers life with one of the neatest kids you'd ever want to meet. For grades 5-8.

BR11181

### **In the Night Kitchen** by Maurice Sendak

Mickey's dream tumbles him into the night kitchen, where three singing bakers mistake him for milk. Mickey sets them straight and flies to the Milky Way in an airplane made of dough to find milk for the bakers. PRINT/BRILLE. For grades K-3. A Caldecott Honor Book.

BR 10036

**Fire: Seven Kingdoms Triliogy Book 2** by Kristin Cashore

Fire, the last remaining human monster, has exceptional beauty and the ability to read and control minds. Although she is afraid of being corrupted, Fire must learn to use her power to save the king. Companion to Graceling (RC 67938). For senior high readers.

DB/RC 70243

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**Catching Fire: Hunger Games Book 2** by Suzanne Collins

Victorious district twelve tributes Katniss and Peeta, from the Hunger Games (RC 68384, BR 18488), have secured lives of safety and plenty for themselves and their families. But because they won by defying the rules, they have unwittingly incited a rebellion. Some violence. For junior and senior high and older readers.

DB/RC 69689, BR 18554

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**Enna Burning** by Shannon Hale

Sixteen-year-old Enna from The Goose Girl (RC 58713) hopes that her new knowledge of wielding fire will help her friend Princess Isi--who can wind speak--confront the enemies of Bayern. But Enna's need to burn is uncontrollable and puts her and others in grave danger. Some violence. For grades 6-9.

DB/RC 60327

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**Howls Moving Castle** by Diana W Jones

As the eldest of three daughters, Sophie Hatter knows that, according to fairy-tale convention, she's expected to fail first and worst when she sets out to seek her fortune. When the Ingarian countryside is threatened by both the moving castle of Wizard Howl and the schemes of the Witch of the Waste, Sophie finds a kind of courage and determination she's never known before. A magical fantasy for grades 6-9.

Download from BARD: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.25892>

**Sign of the Twisted Candles Nancy Drew Mystery series** by Carolyn Keene

Swindlers are trying to steal the fortune of Bess and George's great-granduncle, but when Nancy investigates, it nearly ruins her friendship with the girls. During her sleuthing, Nancy ends a family feud and discovers the identity of a sixteen-year-old foster daughter. For grades 4-7.

DB/RC 65934

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**Rebel Fire Sherlock Holmes: The Legend Begins** by Andy Lane

1868. Fourteen-year-old Sherlock Holmes discovers that his American tutor Amyus Crowe is hunting Lincoln assassin John Wilkes Booth--who was supposedly killed by Union soldiers but is apparently alive and well in England. For junior and senior high and older readers.

DB 74719

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**Great Fire** by Jim Murphy

An account of the conflagration that leveled much of Chicago in 1871. Chronicles events from the fire's outbreak and rapid spread to its extinguishment by rain, as reported by survivors and in documents of the period. Examines the origins, circumstances, and official failures that contributed to the disaster. For grades 5-8. A Newbery Honor Book.

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**Single Shard** by Linda Park

Tree-ear, an orphan in twelfth-century Korea, spends most of his time foraging for food for himself and Crane-man, an older companion. Tree-ear takes advantage of a mishap in master potter Min's yard to become his apprentice, learning a craft and gaining unforeseen rewards. For grades 5-8. Newbery Medal.

RC 53670, BR 14214

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**The Fire: Witch and Wizard** by James Patterson

Whit and Wisty, from The Gift (DB 73162), continue to lead the Resistance against the totalitarian regime. But even the growing strength of their magic has been unable to stop the evil dictator, and they must prepare for an imminent showdown. For senior high and older readers.

DB 76280

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**Jumping Fire: A Smoke Jumper's Memoir of Fighting Wild Fire** by Murry Taylor

The fifty-year-old author, a veteran forest firefighter from Alaska, reminisces about decades of jumping from planes into potential disaster, concentrating on the 1991 season. Details mishaps, malfunctions, and other problems crews encounter during their perennial struggles with nature. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

RC 52866

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**Pay It Forward** by Catherine Hyde

Twelve-year-old Trevor tackles his new teacher's extra-credit assignment to improve the world. He performs three large favors, and instead of paying him back, each recipient agrees to pay favors forward to three more people, and so on. Initially a disaster, his project soon snowballs into a great success. Some strong language.

RC 50012

**Teens with the Courage to Give: Young people who triumphed over tragedy and volunteered to make a difference** by Jackie Waldman

Thirty teenagers share their experiences overcoming hardship and finding fulfillment by helping others. In "The Fight for Life" a teen suffering from depression starts a suicide prevention program. In "Born to Win" a one-legged amputee wins races wearing a prosthesis and visits kids in hospitals. For junior and senior high readers.

RC 56366

**Random Acts of Kindness** by Conari Press

Anonymous narrators describe acts of kindness given or received. These stories are supplemented with quotes on the subject from well-known historical figures. Includes suggestions for those who want to perform unexpected good deeds. Foreword by Daphne Rose Kingma and introduction by Dr. Dawna Markova.

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**Generation Green: The ultimate teen guide to living an eco-friendly life** by Linda Sivertsen

Teen and mom provide examples for others wanting to adopt an eco-friendly lifestyle. They suggest using the five Rs--reduce, reuse, recycle, rethink, and refuse. Also include tips on greener pet care, beauty products, and school supplies; smarter shopping; ways to get involved; and more. For senior high readers.

DB/RC:69820

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