

Favorite Titles for Middle Schoolers

Recommendations taken from NCTE's Middle Level Listserv, Spring 2003

The Acorn People by Ron Jones, illustrated by Tom Parker
Among the Hidden series by Margaret Haddix
The Ancient One by T. A. Baron
An Acquaintance with Darkness by Ann Rinaldi
Aquamarine by Alice Hoffman
A Single Shard by Linda Sue Park
Because of Winn Dixie by Kate Dicamillo and Cherry Jones
Bloomability by Sharon Creech
Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis
Calling the Swan by Jean Thesman
Checkers by John Marsden
Crash by Jerry Spinelli
Cut by Patricia McCormick
Dancing on the Edge by Han Nolan
Define Normal by Julie Anne Peters
Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan
Firegold by Dia Calhoun
Forever... by Judy Blume
Freak the Mighty and Max the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick
Gathering Blue by Lois Lowry
Ghost in the Tokaido Inn by Dorothy Hoobler
The Giver by Lois Lowry
Go Ask Alice by Anonymous
Goose Chase by Patrice Kindl
Hang a Thousand Trees with Ribbons by Ann Rinaldi
Holes by Louis Sachar
Hope Was Here by Joan Bauer
House of the Scorpion by Nancy Farmer
Jade Green by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Joey Pigza Loses Control by Jack Gantos
Lisa, Bright and Dark by John Neufield
A Long Way from Chicago by Richard Peck
The Lost Years of Merlin (series) by T.A. Baron
Monster by Walter Dean Meyer
No More Dead Dogs by Gordon Korman
Notes from a Liar and her Dog by Gennifer Choldenko
Nothing But the Truth by Avi
One More River and Broken Bridge by Lynne Reid Banks
The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton
Peeling the Onion by Wendy Orr
Petey by Ben Mikaelson
Pictures of Hollis Woods by Patricia Reilly Giff
The Redwall Series by Brian Jacques
Remember Me by Christopher Pike
Remembering Mog by Colby Rodowsky
Searching for David's Heart by Cherie Bennett
The Second Bend in the River by Ann Rinaldi
The Silent Boy by Lois Lowry
Silent to the Bone by E.L. Konigsburg
A Single Shard by Linda Sue Park
Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants by Ann Brashares

Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson
Stargirl by Jerry Spinelli
Stop Pretending: What Happened When My Sister Went Crazy by Sonya Sones
Stuck in Neutral by Terry Trueman
Tears of a Tiger by Sharon Draper
Then Again, Maybe I Won't by Judy Blume
Touching Spirit Bear by Ben Mikaelson
Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt
Under a War Torn Sky by Laura Elliott
A View From Saturday by E. L. Konigsburg
Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech
Warriors Don't Cry: A Searing Memoir of the Battle to Integrate Little Rock's Central High by Melba Patillo Beals
The Wave by Todd Strasser
When She Was Good by Norma Fox Mazer
Wolf by the Ears by Ann Rinaldi
A Year Down Yonder by Richard Peck
You Remind Me of You by Eirann Corrigan