



Governor's Summer Reading Challenge

To support summer reading, the CT State Library is offering students and families access to RBDigital, a vast collection of free audiobooks and eBooks. For more information, visit the RBDigital Web site at <https://iconnect.rbdigital.com>. Additionally, the National Emergency Library is offering digitized books to students and the public at no cost. This temporary collection of books can be accessed at <https://archive.org/details/nationalemergencylibrary>.

GRADES 5-6 https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/CTRead/Grades5-6_2020_Summer_Reading.pdf

GRADES 7-8 https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/CTRead/Grades7-8_2020_Summer_Reading.pdf

GRADES 9-12 https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/CTRead/Grades9-12_2020_Summer_Reading.pdf

Check out the 2021 Nutmeg Book Award Nominees:

MIDDLE SCHOOL <https://www.nutmegaward.org/middle-school-7-8>

HIGH SCHOOL <https://www.nutmegaward.org/high-school-9-12>

Read JK Rowling's soon-to-be-published new book 'The Ickabog' free online:
<https://www.theickabog.com/>

Because Black Lives matter, Read Black Authors

<http://www.teenlibrariantoolbox.com/2020/06/because-black-lives-matter-read-black-authors/>

Best Summer Reads for Teens from School Library Journal *(updated weekly)*

<https://www.slj.com/?page=summer-reading-2020>

NPR's List: The 100 Best-Ever Teen Novels *(how many have you read?)*

<https://www.npr.org/2012/08/07/157795366/your-favorites-100-best-ever-teen-novels>

Common Sense Media: a resource made for adults that offers excellent book reviews <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/lists/books-for-teens>

8 YA Novels to Break Your Heart - & Put It Back Together!

<https://www.slj.com/?detailStory=8-realistic-ya-novels-to-break-your-heart-and-put-it-back-together-summer-reading-2020>

Social Justice Books: A Teaching for Change Project

<https://socialjusticebooks.org/booklists/young-adult-fiction/>

Edutopia: 22 YA Novels to You Process the Pandemic (or Forget It for a Bit)

<https://www.edutopia.org/article/22-ya-novels-help-students-process-pandemic-or-forget-it-bit>

Fierce Reads: Discover the hottest new YA books & giveaways

<https://www.fiercereads.com/?e=6ecfb756573c56e80ebf3b51efa8c413620fb9a7321c0a8c262cd7b7a8d35cb2>

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