

Sixth Grade

Reading Experiences Summary:

Students in 6th grade should experience a balance of literature and informational texts designed to create opportunities for learners to engage with a variety of topics and texts, and have discussions about texts that support language development and knowledge building. Creating this learning environment for readers can take a variety of formats, including shared readings, paired readings, independent readings and other learning activities that incorporate literacy materials, talking, and writing. We refer to these instructional events as ‘reading or literacy experiences’ because the focus is on using texts, printed and visual, to develop readers’ concepts of how meaning is conveyed through reading and writing, and in turn their ability to make meaning of increasingly complex text. Much of this work is done through talk-reading and readingwriting connections. The following are examples of literary and informational text types that could be used in classroom instruction. Texts are not limited to these examples. LITERATURE: stories, drama, poetry, fiction, myths, graphic novels, and other literary texts. INFORMATIONAL TEXT: nonfiction, biographies, autobiographies, books and articles about science, art, history, social studies, and information displayed in charts, graphs, or maps, in both print and digital sources

Frequently Read Literature

· All Thirteen by Christina Soontornvat · Ancestor Approved edited by Cynthia Leitich Smith · Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank · Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer · Book Scavenger by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman · Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson · Cece Rios and the Desert of Souls by Kaela Rivera · The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau · City of Ghosts by Victoria Schwab · The Dinosaurs of Waterhouse Hawkins by Barbara Kerley · Doll Bones by Holly Black · Efen Divided by Ernesto Cisneros · Fablehaven by Brandon Mull · Front Desk by Kelly Yang · The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien · I Am Malala (Young Reader’s Edition) by Malala Yousafzai · Magnus Chase and the Gods of Asgard by Rick Riordan · Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli · They Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart · New Kid by Jerry Craft · Number the Stars by Lois Lowry · Percy Jackson and the Olympians by Rick Riordan · Root Magic by Eden Royce · Show Me a Sign

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