

A Community of Readers 2017 The List for Grade 6

Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine, *fiction*

A sensible girl with an unfortunate curse whose con artist father has lost all their money is forced to live at the beck and call of a selfish step-family. And then a prince falls in love with her!

Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein, *fiction*

Twelve-year-old Kyle gets to stay overnight in the new town library designed by his hero, a famous gamemaker, but finds that come morning he must work with friends to solve puzzles in order to escape.

Ghost by Jason Reynolds, *fiction*

Ghost, a naturally talented runner and troublemaker, is recruited for an elite middle school track team, but his past keeps catching up with him.

Hour of the Bees by Lindsey Eager, *fiction*

At first, Carol is not happy to spend the summer helping her parents move her grandfather to an assisted living home, but she soon finds herself drawn to him, fascinated by his amazing stories.

The Inquisitor's Tale by Adam Gidwitz, *fiction*

Three children and their holy dog end up on an adventure in medieval France filled with miracles, saints, knights, and dragons.

It Ain't So Awful, Falafel by Firoozeh Dumas, *fiction*

Eleven-year-old Zomorod, originally from Iran, tells her story of growing up Iranian in Southern California during the Iranian Revolution and hostage crisis of the late 1970s.

Riders by Veronica Rossi, *fiction*

While recovering from the accident that most definitely killed him, Gideon finds himself with strange new powers and a bizarre cuff he can't remove. His death has brought to life his real destiny.

Soar by Joan Bauer, *fiction*

Moving to Ohio when his adoptive father accepts a temporary job, twelve-year-old Jeremiah, a heart transplant recipient, has sixty days to find a baseball team to coach.

The Victory Garden by Lee Kochenderfer, *fiction*

During World War II, a girl and her father plant a victory garden to assist the war effort and to speed her older brother's return from overseas.

Zebra Forest by Adina Rishe Gewirtz, *fiction*

Inspired by her grandmother, a girl delights in making up wild stories, but then her real life takes a terrifying turn, calling into question everything she thought she knew.