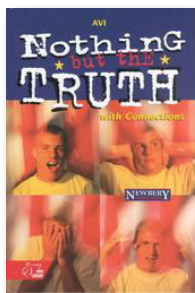
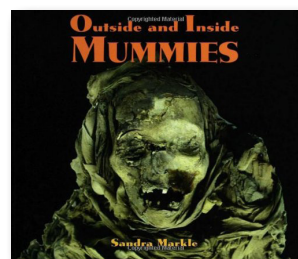


**Nothing But the Truth** By Avi

Ninth-grader Philip Malloy can't resist finding some way to irritate Miss Narwin, the English teacher he blames for keeping him off the track team. So he decides to hum along with the daily audiotape of "The Star Spangled Banner," in violation of school rules. Who would have thought the incident would escalate into a national controversy?



**Outside and Inside Mummies** By Sandra Markle



Imagine examining the skin, bones, even muscles and organs of a person who lived thousands of years ago. Using new technology, this book lets readers view amazing relics.

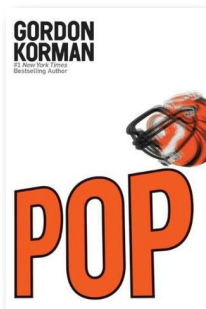
**Peter and the Starcatchers**

By Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson

In this prequel to Peter Pan, the early chapters introduce the archetypal antagonists: Peter, leader of a group of orphan boys being sent into slavery aboard the Never Land; and Black Stache, a fearsome pirate who commands a villainous crew.

**POP** By Gordan Korman

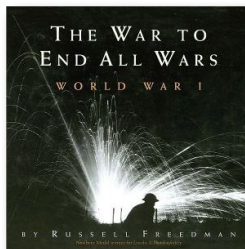
After moving to a new town, Marcus strikes up a friendship with Charlie Popovich, a former pro football player. As the two grow closer, Marcus learns that Charlie has symptoms of early onset Alzheimer's disease as a result of suffering head injuries during his career. Now Marcus is willing to risk everything to help his new friend.



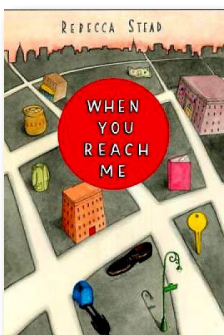
**The War to End All Wars: World War I**

By Russell Freedman

In this clear, authoritative account of a complex and rarely discussed war, the author shows the ways in which the seeds of a second world war were sown from mistakes in the first.



**When You Reach Me** By Rebecca Stead

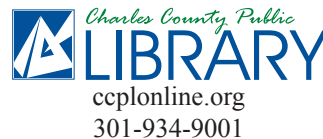


Shortly after sixth-grader Miranda and her best friend, Sal, part ways, mysterious notes begin to arrive, scrawled on tiny slips of paper. Miranda realizes that whoever is leaving them knows things they shouldn't. The messages make her believe that only she can prevent a tragic death.

# Great Reads for Middle School Guys



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## ***A Week in the Woods*** By Andrew Clements

The fifth grade's annual camping trip in the New Hampshire woods tests Mark's values and survival skills, as well as those of his science teacher. Both characters come to respect each other.

## ***After Ever After*** By Jordan Sonnenblick

Jeffrey isn't a boy with cancer anymore. He's a teen who's in remission. Jeffrey has a little soul searching to do, which begins with his anger at Steven, an old friend who is keeping a secret.

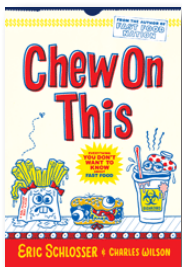


## ***Al Capone Does My Shirts***

By Gennifer Choldenko

Moose calls Alcatraz home. His father is a prison guard, but life actually seems boring in the prison. All Moose wants to do is protect Natalie, live up to his parents' expectations, and stay out of trouble. But on Alcatraz, trouble is never far away.

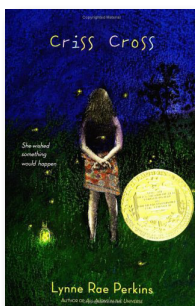
## ***Chew on This: Everything You Don't Want to Know About Fast Food*** By Eric Schlosser



This book unwraps the fast-food industry with a behind-the-scenes look at a business that both feeds and feeds off the young. See what really goes on at your favorite restaurants, and what is lurking between those sesame seed buns.

## ***The City of Ember*** By Jeanne DuPrau

The city of Ember was built as a last refuge for the human race. Now, 200 years later, the great lamps that light the city are beginning to flicker. When Lina finds part of an ancient message, she's sure it holds a secret that will save the city.



## ***Criss Cross***

By Lynne Rae Perkins

This is a poignant coming-of-age story about a young girl and her friends whose paths cross (while their stories criss-cross) over one summer.

## ***Danny the Champion of the World***

By Roald Dahl

Danny's dad had a secret, but now the secret is out and it's leading Danny on quite an adventure.

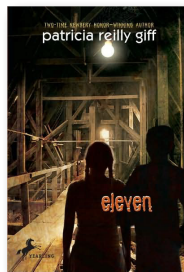
## ***Drums, Girls and Dangerous Pie***

By Jordan Sonnenblick

Steven has a totally normal life: he plays drums in the All-Star Jazz band, has a crush on the hottest girl in the school, and is constantly annoyed by his little brother, Jeffrey. But when Jeffrey is diagnosed with leukemia, Steven's world turns upside down. He has to deal with his brother's illness and his parents' attempts to keep the family in one piece.

## ***Eleven*** By Patricia Reilly Giff

Sam finds an old newspaper article that seems to be about him. Now suspicious of his grandfather, with whom he has lived for as long as he can remember, Sam wonders if they are really related? Suspense builds as Sam and his friends unravel the mystery of how he and Mack became a family.



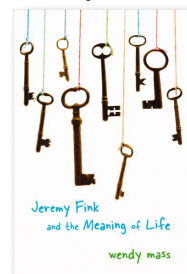
## ***The Gollywopper Games*** By Jody Feldman

Gil's happiness depends on winning the Golly Toy & Game Company's ultimate competition. If Gil wins, his dad has promised that the family can move away from all the gossip, false friends, and bad press that have plagued them ever since The Incident.

## ***House of the Scorpion*** By Nancy Farmer

Matt is "harvested" in the land of Opium, a clone of the most powerful man in the land. He enjoys special privileges and is educated and lives a unique life for a clone. Matt begins to wonder why. This story is filled with action and suspense.

## ***Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life***



By Wendy Mass

In one month Jeremy Fink will turn thirteen. But does he have what it takes to be a teenager? Everything changes when he gets a posthumous gift from his dad who died five years ago.

## ***Kakapo Rescue: Saving the World's Strangest Parrot (Scientists in the Field Series)***

By Sy Montgomery

On remote Codfish Island, off the southern coast of New Zealand, live the last 91 kakapo parrots. This book chronicles a sensitive and scientific exploration of the endangered kakapo parrot.

## ***Million Dollar Throw*** By Mike Lupica

Nate Brodie is nicknamed Brady, not only for his arm, but because he's a huge Tom Brady fan. When he wins a chance to win a million dollars by throwing a pass through a target at a Patriot's game, Nate should be excited. Instead, he's under pressure.



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