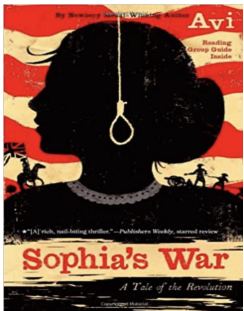


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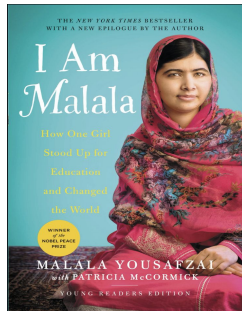
What does it mean to Make an Impact in the community? Our 7th grade thematic unit works to answer this question through a shared ongoing discussion that culminates in a field trip to Washington D.C. and a spring cross-curricular exhibit. For summer reading, we ask that you **choose one community novel**. These books tell the story of a character who made an impact in his or her community. These community novels are designed to allow students to begin their year by connecting with other students in their class as they discuss their selected book. Students should be prepared to participate in a project for the grade level thematic novel during the first two weeks of school. Then students should select **one book from the free-choice list**. While reading the free-choice book, students should answer two questions (listed on page 4) about the book and submit the answers to their Language Arts teacher no later than Friday, August 12th. Each answer must be at least 225 typed or handwritten words.

Community Novel Choices (Select One)

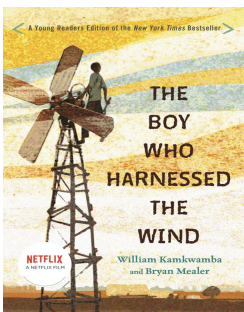
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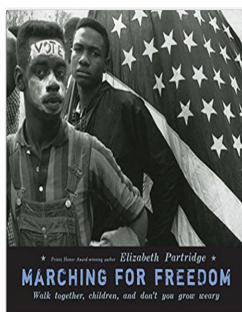
Sophia's War: A Tale of the Revolution
by Avi



I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World (Young Readers Edition) by Malala Yousafzai and Patricia McCormick*



The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind (Young Readers Edition) by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer



Marching for Freedom: Walk Together Children and Don't You Grow Weary by Elizabeth Partridge



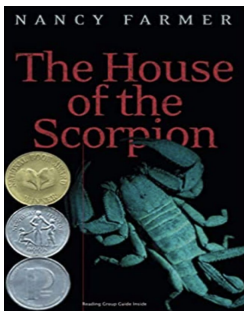
Note: While all books are written for middle grades and are appropriate for our readers, there may be scenes that prompt family conversation. We encourage you to use resources such as CommonSenseMedia.com to learn more about your student's selected novels.

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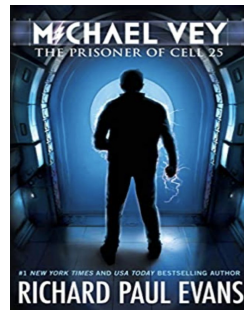
Free Choice Novels
(Select One Book That You Have Never Read)

Nonfiction

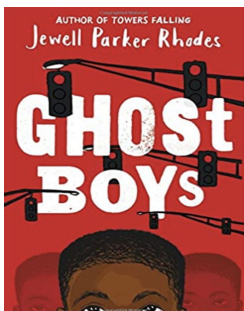
Fantasy and Science Fiction



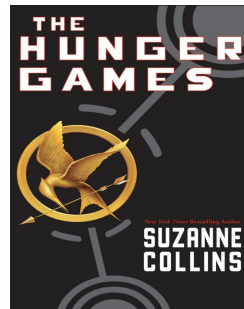
The House of the Scorpion
by Nancy Farmer*



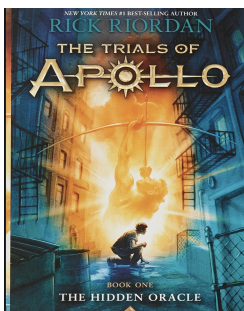
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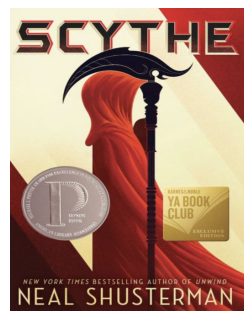
Ghost Boys
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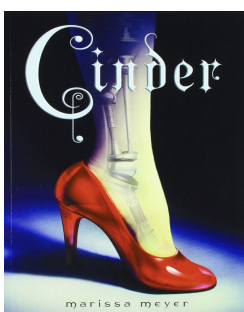
The Hunger Games series
by Suzanne Collins*



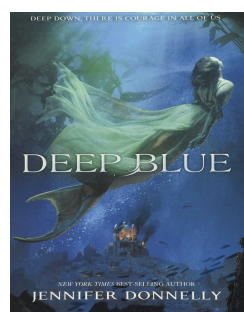
The Trials of Apollo series
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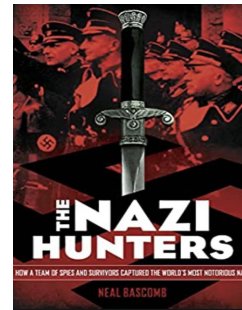
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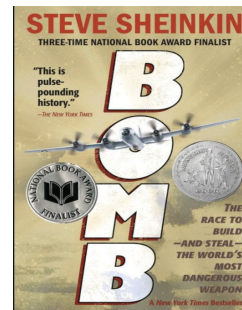
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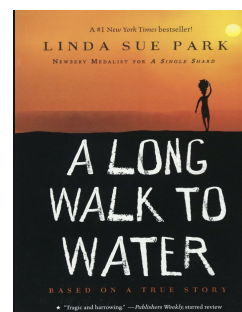
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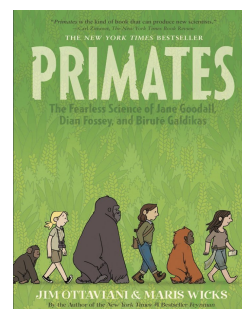
The Nazi Hunters by
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Bomb by Steve Sheinkin*



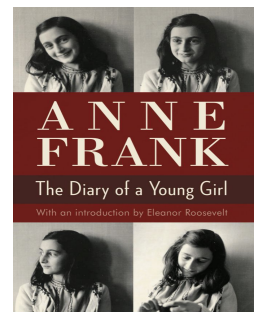
A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park*



Primates: The Fearless Science of Jane Goodall, Dian Fossey, and Birute Galdikas by Jim Ottaviani*



The Finest Hours: Young Readers Edition
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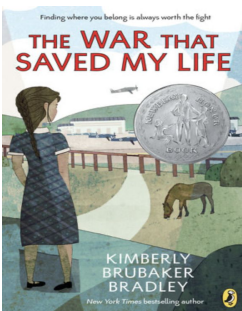
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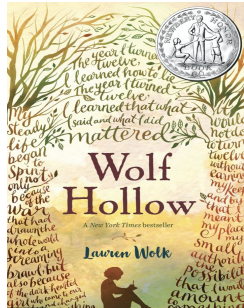
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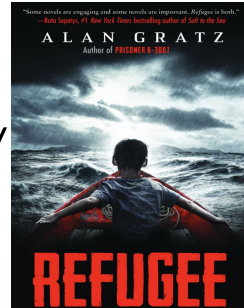
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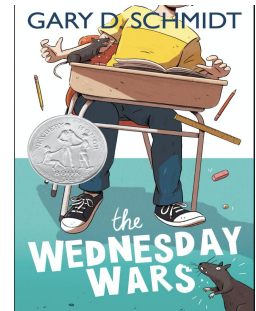
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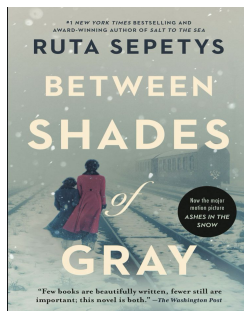
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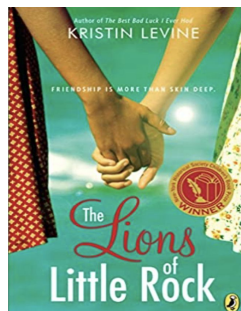
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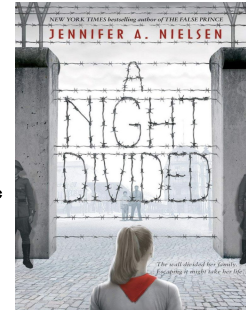
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Between Shades of Gray by Ruta Sepetys*

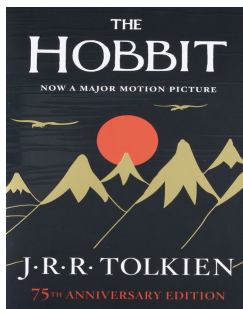


The Lions of Little Rock by Kristin Levine*



Night Divided by Jennifer Nielson*

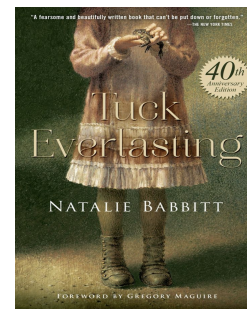
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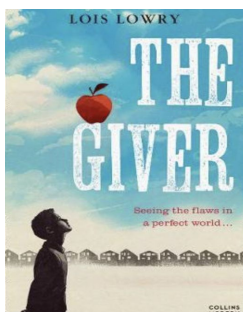
The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien*



Little Women by Louisa May Alcott*



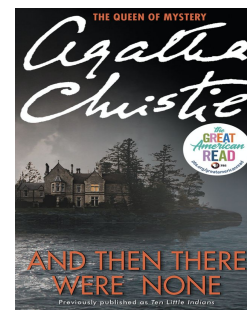
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The Giver by Lois Lowry*



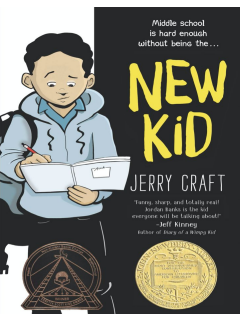
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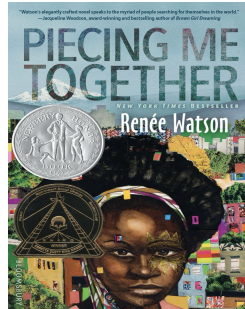
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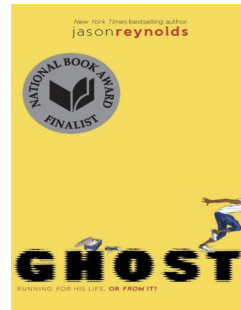
Realistic Fiction and Mystery



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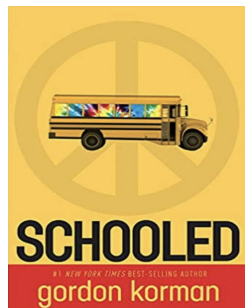
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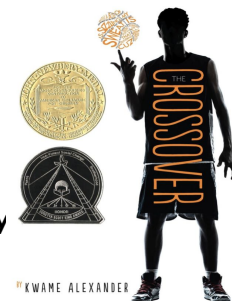
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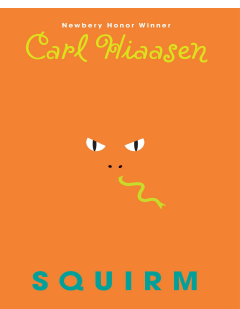
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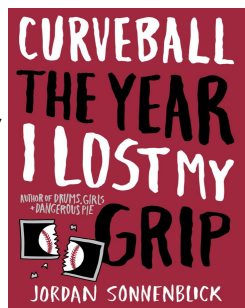
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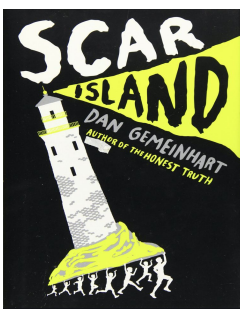
Curveball: The Year I Lost my Grip
by Jordan Sonnenblick*



Three Times Lucky
by Sheila Turnage*



Posted
by John David Anderson*



Scar Island
by Dan Gemeinhart*

Free-Choice Book Questions:

1. Identify one character from your book who you relate to and explain the ways in which you and the character are similar. Use examples from the book and your life to support your answer.
2. Identify one character from your book who differs from you and explain what you learned from their experiences and perspective. Use examples from the book to support your answer.

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