

Regional School District #10  
Har-Bur Middle School  
**2008 Summer Reading List**  
**Grade 7**

*\* As you read focus on making text-to-text, text-to-world and text-to-self connections*

**Author:** Gennifer Choldenko  
**Title:** Al Capone Does My Shirts

Moose struggles with troublemaking, providing care for his needy sister, and handling family life on the island prison of Alcatraz.

**Author:** Julius Lester  
**Title:** Day of Tears

Husbands and wives are torn apart, young children are separated from their parents, and life-long friendships are instantly ended. Over the course of three days in 1859, more than 400 slaves were sold to pay one man's gambling debts. This riveting book tells their stories.

**Author:** Mike Lupica  
**Title:** Heat

What can a twelve-year-old Cuban immigrant do when he dreams of pitching in the Little League World Series, only to be benched? Michael Arroyo relies on his best friend, Manny Cabrera, his neighbor Mrs. Cora, and the mysterious new girl pitcher he meets practicing in the shadow of Yankee Stadium.

**Author:** Michelle Paver  
**Title:** Wolf Brother

A demonic bear has killed Torak's father, and Torak, a stone-age boy, must destroy the beast. On his journey he finds an orphan wolf cub and learns they can communicate with each other. Now both orphans are on a perilous journey to defeat evil.

**Author:** Nancy Springer  
**Title:** The Case of the Missing Marquess

For Enola Holmes, investigating mysteries runs in the family, including her own mother's disappearance. When her elder brother Sherlock determines she should attend a prim boarding school, she resolves to escape and solve the mystery herself.