

## ROOSEVELT'S LIST OF "BEST-EVER NOVELS" TO READ

	Judge	Title	Author	Genre	Newberry	Level
1	Radka/Arnold	Small Steps: The Year I Got Polio	Peg Kehret	Autobiography/Memoir		3.5
2	Reiss	Guts	Gary Paulsen	Autobiography/Memoir		6.3
3	Cawley	Lincoln: a Photobiography	Russell Freedman	Biography	Yes	7.7
4	Duke	Helen Keller: Photographic story of a life	Leslie Garrett	Biography		4.5
5	Duke	Jackie and Me	Dan Gutman	Biography (Science Fiction)		4.3
6	Hughes	Sadako & the Thousand Paper Cranes	Eleanor Coerr	Historical Fiction		4.1
7	Hinton	Gregor the Overlander	Suzanne Collins	Fantasy		4.8
8	Riley	Andersen's Fairy Tales	Hans Christian Andersen	Traditional Literature		5.6
9	Stephenson/Reiss	Mouse and the Motorcycle	Beverly Cleary	Fantasy		4.1
10	Soucek	Poppy	Avi	Fantasy		4.5
11	Hinton/Reiss	A Dog Called Kitty	Bill Wallace	Fantasy		4.2
12	Snyder	Tale of Despereaux	Kate Di Camillo	Fantasy	Yes	4.7
13	Anderson	The Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe	C. S. Lewis	Fantasy		5.7
14	Stephenson	The Littles	John Peterson	Fantasy		3.5
15	Shelp	Tuck Everlasting	Natalie Babbit	Fantasy		5.1
16	Reid	Charlie & the Chocolate Factory	Roald Dahl	Fantasy		4.8
17	Danks	Alice in Wonderland	Lewis Carroll	Fantasy (Classic)		5.9
18	Reid/Stephenson	Charlotte's Web	E. B. White	Fantasy (Classic)		4.4
19	Freeman	Stuart Little	E. B. White	Fantasy (Classic)		6.1
20	Freeman	Wonderful Wizard of Oz	L. Frank Baum	Fantasy (Classic)		7.1
21	Hughes	Inkheart	Cornelia Funke	Fantasy (Mystery)		5.4
22		Bud, Not Buddy	Christopher Paul Curtis	Historical Fiction	Yes	5.1
23	Stephenson	Caddie Woodlawn	Carol Ryrie Brink	Historical Fiction		6.1
24	Danks	Winnie the Pooh	A.A. Milne	Fantasy		4.6
25	Green/Reiss	Island of the Blue Dolphins	Scott O'Dell	Historical Fiction	Yes	5.4
26	Merrifield	Julie of the Wolves	Jean Craighead George	Historical Fiction	Yes	5.8
27	Jones	Keeper of the Doves	Besty Byars	Historical Fiction		4.1
28	Dingus	Lily's Crossing	Patricia Reilly Giff	Historical Fiction		4.6

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29	Hall/Freeman	Little House on the Prairie	Laura Ingalls Wilder	Historical Fiction		4.5
30	Leonard	Number the Stars	Lois Lowry	Historical Fiction	Yes	5.1
31	Shelp	Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Mildred D. Taylor	Historical Fiction	Yes	5.7
32	Arnold	Toothpaste Millionaire	Jean Merrill	Realistic Fiction		5.1
33	Hughes	Kira Kira	Cynthia Kadohata	Historic Fiction	Yes	4.7
34	Shelp	Mrs. Frisby & the Rats of Nimh	Robert O'Brian	Fantasy	Yes	5.1
35	Mitchell/Haley/Reiss	Where the Red Fern Grows	Wilson Rawls	Historical Fiction		4.9
36	Hughes	Half-A-Moon Inn	Paul Fleischman	Historical Fiction (Mystery)		5.7
37	Merrifield	Out of the Dust	Karen Hesse	Informational Text/Poetry	Yes	5.3
38	Hinton	Abduction	Peg Kehret	Mystery		4.7
39		Chasing Vermeer	Blue Balliet	Mystery		5.4
40	Cawley	From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler	E. L. Konisburg	Mystery	Yes	6.8
41		Schooled	Gordon Korman	Mystery		4.1
42	Danks	The Secret of the Old Clock	Nancy Drew	Mystery		6.5
43	Hallum	Heat	Mike Lupica	Mystery (Sports)		5.5
44		Joyful Noise	Paul Fleischman	Poetry		5.2
45	Snyder	Where the Sidewalk Ends	Shel Silverstein	Poetry		3.9
46	Hall	A Lion to Guard Us	Clyde Robert Bulla	Realistic Fiction		2.9
47	Fowler	Beauty	Bill Wallace	Realistic Fiction		4.1
48		Single Shard	Linda Sue Park	Historical Fiction	Yes	6.6
49	Williams	Bridge to Terabithia	Katherine Paterson	Realistic Fiction	Yes	4.6
50	Mitchell	Holes	Louis Sachar	Realistic Fiction	Yes	4.6
51	Fowler	Listening for Lions	Gloria Whelan	Historical Fiction		6.5
52	Radka/Reiss	Maniac McGee	Jerry Spinelli	Realistic Fiction	Yes	4.7
53	Radka	Mick Harte Was Here	Barbara Park	Realistic Fiction		4.5
54		Missing May	Cynthia Rylant	Realistic Fiction	Yes	5.3
55		On My Honor	Marion Dane Bauer	Realistic Fiction		4.7
56	Hughes	Moon Over Manifest	Clare Vanderpool	Historical Fiction	Yes	5.1

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57		Skinny Bones	Barbara Park	Realistic Fiction		4.1
58		The Way Things Work	David Macaulay	Informational Text		
59	Anderson	Taste of Blackberries	Doris Buchanan Smith	Realistic Fiction		3.2
60	Dingus	The Hundred Dresses	Eleanor Estes	Realistic Fiction		5.4
61	Leonard	Walk Two Moons	Sharon Creech	Realistic Fiction	Yes	4.9
62	Green	Esperanza Rising	Pam Munoz Ryan	Realistic Fiction		4.5
63	Duke/Merrifield	Black Beauty	Anna Sewell	Realistic Fiction (Classic)		7.7
64	Snyder	Among the Hidden	Margaret Petersen Haddix	Science Fiction		5.2
65	Merrifield	Stormbreaker	Anthony Horowitz	Science Fiction		5.4
66	J. Davis/Merrifield	The Lightning Thief	Rick Riordan	Science Fiction		4.7
67	Arnold/Merrifield	Wrinkle in Time	Madeline L'Engle	Science Fiction	Yes	4.7
68	J. Davis	The City of Ember	Jeanne Duprau	Science Fiction (Dystopia)		5.1
69	Cawley	Favorite Greek Myths	Mary Pope Osborne	Traditional Literature		5.7
70	Dingus	The Rough Face Girl	Rafe Martin	Traditional Literature		4.1