



You MUST read the following:

Incoming 8th- *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park

Incoming 7th- *I Will Always Write Back* by Caitlin Alifirenka,
Liz Welch, and Martin Ganda

Incoming 6th- *A Thousand Paper Cranes* by Eleanor Coerr

Then you must pick ONE from the following list:

- **96 Miles**: J.L. Esplin
 - 21 days without power. 2 brothers on a desperate trek. 72 hours before time runs out...The Lockwood brothers are supposed to be able to survive anything.
- **Bloom**: Kenneth Oppel
 - The invasion begins with rain -- a rain that carries seeds that sprout overnight, everywhere. These new plants crowd out crops, release toxic pollens, and form large underground pods that swallow animals and people. They are unstoppable. Book #1
- **City Spies**: James Ponti
 - Sara Martinez is facing years in the juvenile detention system for hacking into the foster care computer system to prove that her foster parents are crooks. She gets a second chance when a mysterious man offers her a chance to join a group of spies.
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- **Clean Getaway**: Nic Stone
 - For the life of him, William "Scoob" Lamar can't seem to stay out of trouble, and now the run-ins at school have led to a lockdown at home.
- **From the Desk of Zoe Washington**: Janae Marks
 - Avid baker Zoe Washington receives a letter on her twelfth birthday from her biological father, who is in prison for a terrible crime.
- **When Life Gives You Mangos**: Kereen Getten
 - Living on an island that visitors call exotic, 12-year-old Clara struggles with her increasingly distant relationship with a best friend and her inability to clearly recall the traumatizing events that occurred a year earlier.
- **Wink**: Rob Harrell
 - After being diagnosed with rare eye cancer, twelve-year-old Ross discovers how music, art, and true friends can help him survive both treatment and middle school.
- **A Wish in the Dark**: Christina Soontornvat
 - After escaping from prison, Pong hides out in a city run by a governor who magically controls all light. Nok, whose father oversaw the prison, vows to find Pong and restore her family's good name.