

## Jones Middle School Rising 8th Grade Summer Reading List 2011

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Genre &amp; Year Published</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Lexile Score</b>	<b>Kindle version</b>	<b>Amazon Price</b>	<b>At public library?</b>
Blizzard! The Storm the Changed America	Jim Murphy	Nonfiction (2000) 144 pgs	Presents a history, based on personal accounts and newspaper articles, of the massive snow storm that hit the Northeast in 1888, focusing on the events in New York City.	1080	No	\$10.17	Yes – print and audio
Lost boy, lost girl : escaping civil war in Sudan	Dau, John Bul	Nonfiction (2010) 159 pgs	John Bul Dau and his wife, Martha, describe the hardships they experienced, including violence, famine, and war, while growing up in the Sudan and explain how they escaped the region to start a new life.	900	Yes	\$11.96	Yes-print only
Escape! The Story of the Great Houdini	Sid Fleischman	Biography (2006) 210 pgs	Includes bibliographical references (p. 203-205) and index. A biography of the magician, ghost chaser, aviator, and king of escape artists whose amazing feats are remembered long after his death in 1926.	940	No	\$5.81	Yes-print only
Tasting the Sky: A Palestinian Childhood	Ibtisam Barakat	Nonfiction/ Autobiography (2007)	A memoir in which the author describes her childhood as a Palestinian refugee, discussing her family's experiences during and after the Six-Day War, and the freedom she felt at learning to read and write.	870	No	\$10.88	Yes-print only
Almost Astronauts: 13 Women Who Dared to Dream	Tanya Lee Stone	Collective Biography (2009) 133 pgs.	Includes bibliographical references (p. 123-130) Profiles thirteen women who challenged social norms and government policies to prove they could be exceptional astronauts.	980	No	\$13.49	Yes-print and audio