The age range listed here is of course a guide only. Encourage your child to read whatever strikes his or her fancy! The Athenæum’s staff are happy to provide further recommendations of titles. There’s always something new to discover!

Middle School Readers
Ages 10–14

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Roald Dahl
From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler – E.L. Konigsburg
When You Reach Me – Rebecca Stead
A Year Down Yonder – Richard Peck
Swallows and Amazons – Arthur Ransom
Rain Reign – Ann M. Martin
One Crazy Summer – Rita Williams-Garcia
Rifle – Gary Paulson
Caddie Woodlawn – Carol Ryrie Brink
Masterminds – Gordon Korman
Number the Stars – Lois Lowry
A Wrinkle in Time – Madeleine L’Engle