

# Grade 6

## SUMMER READING CHOICES

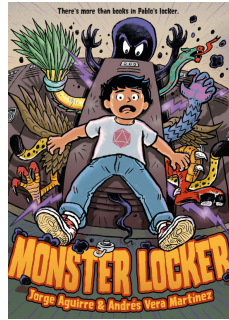
CHOOSE ONE BOOK FROM THIS LIST TO READ THIS SUMMER. ARRIVE AT SCHOOL IN THE FALL READY TO DISCUSS YOUR BOOK! YOU CAN FIND THESE BOOKS ON [SORAAPP.COM](http://SORAAPP.COM) AND AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY!

### GRAPHIC NOVEL

#### Monster Locker

by Jorge Aguirre,  
illustrated by Andrés Vera Martínez

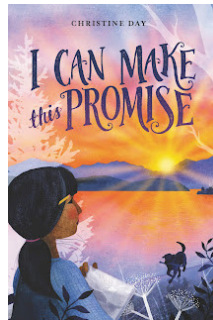
For hundreds of years, something in the basement of Glenfield Middle School has waited for its chance to open a portal into the realm of monsters. Now its time has come, and the school is going to need a hero. Pablo Ortiz...isn't that guy. All he wants to do is lie low and get through middle school in one piece. So when Pablo accidentally opens the portal and summons a vengeful Aztec goddess, he'll need the butt-kicking skills of his new friends and the wisdom passed down by his abuela to take her on.



### REALISTIC FICTION

#### I Can Make This Promise

All her life, Edie has known that her mom was adopted by a white couple. So, no matter how curious she might be about her Native American heritage, Edie is sure her family doesn't have any answers. Until the day when she and her friends discover a box hidden in the attic — a box full of letters signed "Love, Edith," and photos of a woman who looks just like her. Suddenly, Edie has a flurry of new questions about this woman who shares her name. Could she belong to the Native family that Edie never knew about? But if her mom and dad have kept this secret from her all her life, how can she trust them to tell her the truth now?

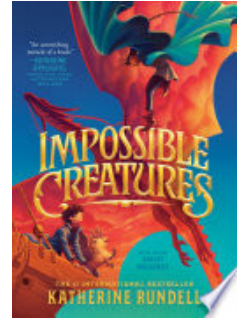


### FANTASY

#### Impossible Creatures

by Katherine Rundell

The day that Christopher saved a drowning baby griffin from a hidden lake would change his life forever. It's the day he learned about the Archipelago: a cluster of unmapped islands where magical creatures of every kind have thrived for thousands of years, until now. And it's the day he met Mal, who is a girl on the run, in desperate need of his help. Mal and Christopher embark on a wild adventure, racing from island to island, searching for someone who can explain why the magic is fading and why magical creatures are suddenly dying. They consult sphinxes, battle kraken, and negotiate with dragons. But the closer they get to the dark truth of what's happening, the clearer it becomes: no one else can fix this. If the Archipelago is to be saved, Mal and Christopher will have to do it themselves.



### NON FICTION

#### The Mona Lisa Vanishes

by Nicholas Day

On a hot August day in Paris, just over a century ago, a desperate guard burst into the office of the director of the Louvre and shouted, "La Joconde, c'est partie!" (The Mona Lisa, she's gone!) No one knew who was behind the heist. Was it an international gang of thieves? Was it an art-hungry American millionaire? Was it the young Spanish painter Pablo Picasso, who was about to remake the very art of painting? Travel back to an extraordinary period of revolutionary change: turn-of-the-century Paris. Walk its backstreets. Meet the infamous thieves — and detectives — of the era. Then slip back further in time and follow Leonardo da Vinci, painter of the Mona Lisa, through his dazzling, wondrously weird life, and discover the secret at the heart of the Mona Lisa: the most famous painting in the world should never have existed at all.

