Suggested Summer Reading List for Upcoming Sixth-Graders

This is a list of <i>suggested</i> books you could choose to read this summer. Please select at least ONE BOOK from THREE DIFFERENT GENRES .
Nonfiction Castles by David McCauley ***or any of his other books*** The Great Fire by Jim Murphy Phineas Gage by John Fleischman
Historical Fiction
Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko
Belle Prater's Boy by Ruth White
Catherine, Called Birdy by Karen Cushman
Crispin: The Cross of Lead by AVI
Any book in the <i>Dear America</i> series by Kathryn Lasky
Number the Stars by Lois Lowry
Nory Ryan's Song by Patricia Reilly Giff
Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse
Single Shard by Linda Sue Park
Sounder by William H. Armstrong
Worth by A. LaFaye
Realistic Fiction
Absolutely Normal Chaos by Sharon Creech
Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
Becoming Naomi Leon by Pam Munoz Ryan
Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Patterson
Hatchet by Gary Paulsen ***or any of his other books***
Heartbeat by Sharon Creech
Holes by Louis Sachar
Hoot by Carl Hiassen
Indigo's Star by Hillary McKay
Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell
<u>Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key</u> by Jack Gantos ***or any book in this series***
The Last Holiday Concert by Andrew Clements ***or any of his other books***
My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George ***or any of her books***
Pictures of Hollis Woods by Patricia Reilly Giff
Summer of the Swans by Betsy Byars
Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls
Fantasy/Science Fiction
Artemis Fowl by Eion Colfer ***or any book in this series***
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J. K. Rowling **or any one in the series**
Any book by R. L. Stine
Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt