

SEL Literacy List for Academic Integration

Books for Elementary Students:

A Letter to Amy by Ezra Jack Keats
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst
Alexander and the Wind-Up Mouse by Leo Lionni
Amanda Pig on Her Own by Jean Van Leeuwen
A Bad Case of the Stripes by David Shannon
Because Brian Hugged His Mother by David L. Rice
Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson (also available in Spanish)
The Chocolate Covered Cookie Tantrum by Deborah Blumenthal
Communication by Aiki (other book by the same author include Feelings, Manners, We Are Best Friends)
Crash by Jerry Spinelli
Eagle Song by Joseph Bruchac
Freedom School, Yes! By Amy Littlesugar
The Giver by Lois Lowry
How to Lose All Your Friends by Nancy Carlson
I Like Me! by Nancy Carlson
Ish by Peter H. Reynolds
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key by Jack Gantos
Junebug by Alice Mead
Lillies Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes
My Many Colored Days by Dr. Seuss
Extraordinary Mary's Extraordinary Deed by Emily Pearson
The Quiltmaker's Gift by Jeff Brumbeau & Gail de Marcken
Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon by Patty Lovell
The Story of Frog Belly Rat Bone by Timothy Basil Ering
The Three Questions by Jon Muth
Verdi by Janell Cannon (also available in Spanish)
Wemberly Worried by Kevin Henkes
When I Feel Angry by Cornelia Maude Spelman *Wilfred*
Gordon McDonald Partridge by Mem Fox
Zen Shorts by Jon Muth

Book for Middle School & High School Students:

Some more advanced books carry over from elementary including *Crash*, *Bridge to Terabithia*)

A Solitary Blue by Cynthia Voigt
Confetti Girl by Diana Lopez *Dacey's*
Song by Cynthia Voigt *Esperanza*
Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan
Flipped by Wendelin Van Draanen

Book for Middle School & High School Students (continued):

Gypsy Davey by Chris Lunch
Homecoming by Cynthia Voigt
Make Lemonade by Virginia Euwer Wolff
Manic Magee by Jerry Spinelli
Remembering Mog by Colby Rodowsky
Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan
Scorpions by Walter Dean Myers
Somewhere in the Darkness by Walter Dean Myers
Stargirl by Jerry Spinelli
The Summer of Riley by Eve Bunting
What Hearts by Bruce Brooks
Romiette and Julio, Sharon Draper
The Skin I'm In, Sharon Flake
Who Am I Without Him?, Sharon Flake
Bronx Masquerade, Nikki Grimes
First Part Last, Angela Johnson
Bluford Series, including 'Bully', Paul Langan
Autobiography of My Dead Brother, Walter Dean Myers
The Coldest Winter Ever, Sister Souljah
Tears of a Tiger, Sharon Draper
Life in Prison, Stanley Tookie Williams
Fat Kid Rules the World, K.L. Going
Breathing Underwater, Alex Finn
Define Normal, Julie Ann Peters

For additional books to select SEL themes from, go to: Urban /Street Literature
Fiction: <http://dolphin.upenn.edu/~vmorris/SchoolUrbanFictionReadingList.htm>

YALSA Best Books for Young Adults:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/yalsa/booklistsawards/bestbooksya/08bbya.cfm>

Teach with Movies website's social emotional learning index of movies,

<http://www.teachwithmovies.org/character-development-index.htm> - many of the movies are also books!

A longer list of readings with descriptions is available at www.cfchildren.org