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READING LISTS BY SOME GUYS AND FOR OTHER GUYS

Here are some recommendations from some guys we trust.

Gordon Korman

Alex Rider Series

The most action, the best gadgets. Move over 007.

The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy

I've heard all the haters: "Too silly, too British." I don't care. This stuff rocks.

Feed

This book reminds me of how it felt to be a teenager discovering really cool science fiction.

Into Thin Air

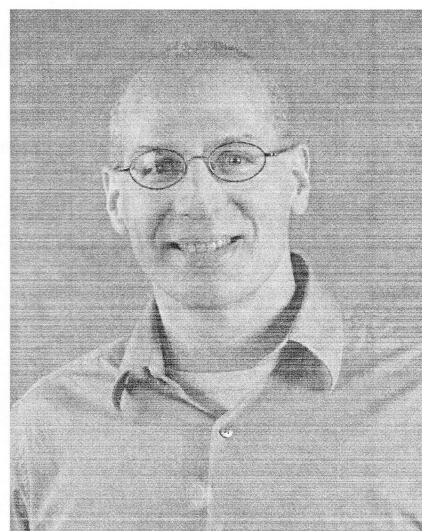
My favorite Everest book; my favorite adventure book.

The Great Brain, Great Brain Series

This was the series that taught me to love middle-grade fiction. A tween swindler back in the days when a silver dollar was serious coin.

One Knee Equals Two Feet

The lesser-known of Madden's awesome football books. I read it first, and still love it best.



David Yoo

The Last Picture Show

Although it takes place in a tiny, dusty Texas town that's nothing like the New England town I grew up in, this is easily my favorite coming-of-age story, ever, period.

Then Again, Maybe I Won't

Given the fact that I asked for a pair of binoculars for Christmas (for "bird watching"), too, this was the teen novel that spoke to me when I was 13.

The Postman Always Rings Twice

My favorite noir writer, this is one of the best plotted stories, ever, in my opinion, with one of the most satisfying endings to a story to boot.

Rats Saw God

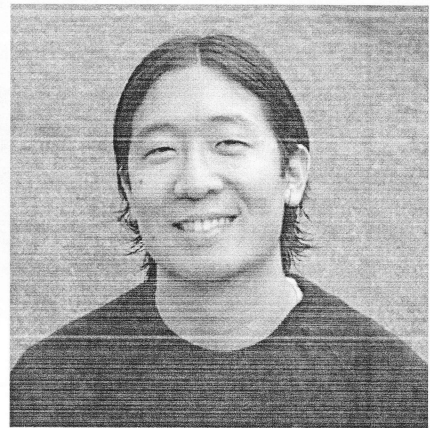
This was the first recent(ish) YA novel that got me excited to write about teens, because it made me think I was reading about, well . . . me.

Rosemary's Baby

This horror story is just about perfect in every way, and I've read it maybe 50 times in my lifetime. The movie's one of my favorites, too.

Franny and Zooey

A decidedly strange little novel that for the life of me I can't quite describe why it's one of my favorites, but it just is.



Peter Brown

is an illustrator and a writer. Probably best known for his books about a dog named Chowder. But he's working on plenty of new books right now.



George and Martha, George and Martha

I can't overemphasize how perfectly James Marshall balances sweetness and absurdity in these stories.

Everyone Poops

Everyone Poops is a continuous source of inspiration.

James and the Giant Peach

Witty dialogue, fantastical adventure and a wonderfully dark sense of humor seem to effortlessly flow from Roald Dahl's pen.

His Dark Materials

This series is perhaps the most unique, thoughtful, and provocative fantasy I've ever read.

20,000 Leagues Under the Sea

I was mesmerized by the way Verne describes the science and logic of the world in which this story takes place.

Dan Gutman

Anything by Robert Benchley, Woody Allen, Mark Twain, Dave Barry, Roald Dahl, Robert Cormier, Jack Gantos, Peg Kehret, Gary Paulsen, Carl Hiaassen, Andrew Clements, Kurt Vonnegut Jr., Gordon Korman, Roland Smith, Anthony Horowitz, and some guy named Jon Scieszka.

The Invention of Hugo Cabret

Genius. The *Sgt. Pepper* of children's books.

Hatchet

Still the best survival story.

Ball Four

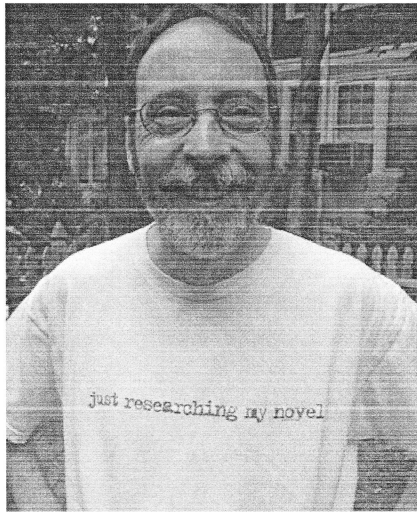
This is the book that turned me on to reading. For the first time, somebody wrote like they were having a conversation with me.

Yertle the Turtle

Or anything by Dr. Seuss. Can't beat it.

Mad Magazine

Without it, all intelligent life on Earth would have ceased to exist.



Adam McCauley

There are too many incredible books to list, but these come to mind first for me as important in my own upbringing. I was basically steeped in Tintin as a child, basted by Oz and Tolkien, troubled by Jansson, tickled by Asterix and taught by Lear. It wasn't until High School that I saw *Codex Seriphinianus*, and I was thrown irrevocably into the world of illustration for good.

Tintin: The Castafiore Emerald

Tiktok of Oz

The Book about Moomin, Mymble and Little My

Asterix the Gaul

The Hobbit

A Book of Nonsense

Codex Seriphinianus

