

Breaking Dawn

by Stephenie Meyer

Although eighteen-year-old Bella joins the dark but seductive world of the immortals by marrying Edward the vampire, her connection to the powerful werewolf Jacob remains strong.

Brisinger

by Christopher Paolini

Following a colossal battle, Eragon and his dragon, Saphira, have narrowly escaped with their lives while Eragon finds himself bound by a tangle of promises he may not be able to keep.

The Clique

by Lisi Harrison

Can Claire the new girl at an exclusive private school fit in? The Clique...the only thing harder than getting in is staying in.

Eclipse

by Stephenie Meyer

When Seattle is ravaged by a mysterious string of killings, Edward, Bella and Jacob need to decide whether their personal lives are more important than the well-being of an entire city.

Eragon

by Christopher Paolini

In Agaesia, a fifteen-year-old boy of unknown lineage called Eragon finds a mysterious stone that weaves his life into an intricate tapestry of destiny, magic, and power, peopled with dragons, elves, and monsters.

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows

by J.K. Rowling

Year 7 – Burdened with the seemingly impossible task of locating and destroying Voldemort's remaining Horcruxes, Harry struggles to find the inner strength he needs to follow the path set out before him.

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince

by J.K. Rowling

Year 6 – Harry learns more about Voldemort's past and is convinced that Draco Malfoy, his Hogwarts enemy, has become a Death Eater.

Hatchet

by Gary Paulsen

When the pilot of a two-person plane has a heart attack and dies, Brian has to crash-land in the Canadian wilderness, and learn how to survive on his own with only a hatchet.

Holes

by Louis Sachar

Living under a family curse brought about by his "No-Good-Dirty-Rotten-Pig-Stealing-Great-Great-Grandfather," Stanley Yelnats is wrongly convicted of a crime and sent to Camp Green Lake where his punishment is to dig holes. What will he dig up?

The Outsiders

by S. E. Hinton

The struggle of three brothers to stay together after their parent's death and their quest for identity among the conflicting values of their world.

Petey

by Ben Mikaelson

In 1922 Petey, who has cerebral palsy, is misdiagnosed as an idiot and institutionalized; sixty years later, still in the institution, he befriends a boy and shares with him the joy of life.

Speak

by Laurie Halse Anderson

A traumatic event near the end of the summer has a devastating effect on Melinda's freshman year in high school.

To Kill a Mockingbird

by Harper Lee

Scout Finch, daughter of the town lawyer Atticus, has just started school; but her carefree days come to an end when a black man in town is accused of raping a white woman, and her father is the only man willing to defend him.

Twilight

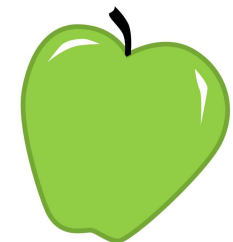
by Stephenie Meyer

Bella falls in love with Edward after she moves from Phoenix to Forks, Washington. He is exquisitely handsome...and a vampire.

Where the Red Fern Grows

by Wilson Rawls

The story of a young boy's love for two hunting dogs and his coming of age in Oklahoma in the 1930's.



Timetable of Events

November 2008 – April 2009

- READ! READ!! READ!!!
- Visit your local public or school library between November 2008 and April 2009 to borrow the books on the list
- Each teen must read or listen to a minimum of three books from the list of 15 finalists in order to vote in April.

April 2009

- Voting will take place in public and school libraries throughout New York State.
- Ballots will be made available at school and public libraries, and can be printed from the 3 Apples Book Award website.
- Only teens in grades 7-12 (ages 13+) who have read or listened to at least 3 of the finalist titles are eligible to vote.
- Each eligible teen has one vote, cast at either their school or public library.
- Teen voting ends on April 20th.
- Librarians will tally the votes and submit them online by April 30th.

May 2009

- The award winner will be announced on the website on May 10th.
- Libraries across the state will sponsor events to celebrate the winner of the 3 Apples Book Award.

June - August

- Libraries will promote the award during their summer reading programs - celebrating the winning titles

The **3 Apples Book Award** has been developed to encourage the joy of reading for pleasure, and to give the teens of New York State the opportunity to participate in honoring their favorite books.

It is co-sponsored by the Youth Services and School Library Media Sections of the New York Library Association, which together represent the public and school libraries of the state.

Each year teens in grades 7-12 (ages 13+) nominate their favorite book, creating a statewide ballot of fifteen of the most popular titles. After reading at least three of the finalist books, the teens vote to select one as their favorite. That book and its author are honored with the presentation of the 3 Apples Book Award, and celebrations take place across the state in school and public libraries.

For more information on the 3 Apples Book Award, please visit our website: www.3applesbookaward.org/teens.



2009

3 Apples Book Award List of Finalists for the Teen Choice Award



*Cosponsored by the
Youth Services Section and School
Library Media Section of the New
York Library Association.*

www.3applesbookaward.org/teens