

Literature Choices for Middle School TENACITY 2022

Before We Were Free – Julia Alvarez 12 year old girl, Dominican Republican revolution of 1961
178 pages

The Red Umbrella – Christina Diaz Gonzalez 14 year old girl travels from Cuba to the US
288 pages

90 Miles to Havana – Enrique Flores-Galbis – 9 year old Julian and his brothers are sent to a camp in Florida for Cuban-exile children. He matures and finds ways to survive as he navigates this new situation. 256 pages

Us In Progress Short Stories about Young Latinos- Based on actual accounts, tells of lives of Latinos and Latinas in the U.S. 256 pages

A Long Walk to Water – Linda Sue Park Two eleven year olds (girl and boy) live in Sudan with the job of fetching water on a daily basis. It is a story of survival and resilience. 128 pages

Harbor Me – Jacqueline Woodson – A group of seventh graders form a group to share their hardships and be the harbor of safety and understanding for each other. 192 pages

Look Both Ways - a tale told in ten blocks– Jason Reynolds 10 stories kids reenter their neighborhoods after school. Tell of their days through their perspectives. 208 pages

The Other Wes Moore – One Name, Two Fates – Two young men from the same city both named Wes Moore grow up and into adults with drastically different futures. 250 pages