This summer Dig Deeper and try a book you might not normally read. The list is just a shallow hole of possibilities. For more suggestions contact a reference librarian at 815-756-9568 x2150 or email reference@dkpl.org.

Fiction

Belinda Bauer
Snap
Michael Chabon
Moonglow
Jon Cohen
Harry’s Trees
Junot Diaz
The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao
Jonathan Safron Foer
Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close
Yaa Gyasi
Homegoing
Sue Monk Kidd
The Secret Life of Bees
The Invention of Wings
Jonathan Lethem
The Feral Detective
Motherless Brooklyn
James McBride
The Good Lord Bird
Liane Moriarty
Big Little Lies
Nine Perfect Strangers
Viet Thanh Nguyen
The Sympathizer
Karen Russell
Swamplandia!
Zadie Smith
On Beauty
White Teeth
George Saunders
Lincoln in the Bardo
Ruth Ware
In a Dark, Dark Wood
The Woman in Cabin 10

Mystery

Susan Wittig Albert (The Darling Dahlias cozy mystery series with garden club members turned amateur sleuths in Depression-era Alabama)
Donna Andrews (The Meg Langslow series—humorous cozy with some type of bird as part of the title)
C. J. Box (Series set in Wyoming with game warden Joe Pickett)
Anne Hillerman (Leaphorn, Chee, and Manuelito series)
Tony Hillerman (Joe Leaphorn and Jim Chee Mysteries series)
Donna Leon (Series featuring Guido Brunetti, Venetian policeman)
Sujata Massey (A new series introducing Perveen Mistry, the first female lawyer in 1920s Bombay)
Alexander McCall Smith (The Detective Varg series featuring Ulf Varg of The Department of Sensitive Crimes unit in Malmo, Sweden.)
Walter Mosley (The Easy Rawlins series, an African American PI in post-war LA)
Kwei Quartey (Series starring Detective Inspector Darko Dawson in the West African town of Accra, Ghana)
Louise Penny (The Inspector Armand Gamache mysteries set in the small village of Three Pines, Quebec.)
Ian Rankin (A gritty series featuring Police Inspector John Rebus in Edinburgh, Scotland.)
**Science Fiction**
Ray Bradbury
Nick Harkaway
John Scalzi (Interdependency trilogy)
H.G. Wells

**Fantasy**
Katherine Arden (Winternight trilogy)
Lois Bujold (Penric and Desdemona series)
Genevieve Cogman
Robert Jordan (Wheel of Time series)
George R.R. Martin

**Historical Fiction**
The Secret History of the Pink Carnation by Lauren Willig
The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes
The Mirror and the Light by Hilary Mantel
The Castle in the Forest by Norman Mailer
The World that We Knew by Alice Hoffman
The Color Purple by Alice Walker

**Romance**
Robyn Carr (Sullivan’s Crossing series)
Alyssa Cole (Reluctant Royals series)
Debbie Macomber (Rose Harbor series)
Sophie Jordan (The Rogue Files series)
Julia Quinn (The Bridgerton series)

**Graphic Novels**
Joe Hill; illustrated by Gabriel Rodriguez
Locke and Key: Welcome to Lovecraft
Written by acclaimed suspense novelist and New York Times best-selling author Joe Hill (Heart-Shaped Box) and featuring astounding artwork from Gabriel Rodriguez, Locke and Key tells of Keyhouse, an unlikely New England mansion, with fantastic doors that transform all who dare to walk through them... and home to a hate-filled and relentless creature that will not rest until it forces open the most terrible door of them all.

**Graphic Novels**
Shannon Watters, Grace Ellis, and Noelle Stevenson; illustrated by Brooklyn Allen
Lumberjanes Vol. 1
At Miss Qiunzella Thiskwin Penniquiqul Thistle Crumpet’s Camp for Hardcore Lady Types, things are not what they seem. Three-eyed foxes. Secret caves. Anagrams! Luckily, Jo, April, Mal, Molly, and Ripley are five rad, butt-kicking best pals determined to have an awesome summer together...and they’re not gonna let a magical quest or an array of supernatural critters get in their way! The mystery keeps getting bigger, and it all begins here.

Gerard Way; illustrated by Gabriel Bá
The Umbrella Academy Vol. 1: Apocalypse Suite
In an inexplicable worldwide event, forty-seven extraordinary children were spontaneously born to women who'd previously shown no signs of pregnancy. Millionaire inventor Reginald Hargreeves adopted seven of the children; when asked why, his only explanation was, “To save the world.” These seven children form the Umbrella Academy, a dysfunctional family of superheroes with bizarre powers. Their first adventure
at the age of ten pits them against an erratic and deadly Eiffel Tower, piloted by the fearsome zombie-robot Gustave Eiffel. Nearly a decade later, the team disbands, but when Hargreeves unexpectedly dies, these disgruntled siblings reunite just in time to save the world once again.

**Bill Willingham; illustrated by Lan Medina**
Fables Vol. 1: Legends in Exile
When a savage creature known only as the Adversary conquered the fabled lands of legends and fairy tales, all the infamous inhabitants of folklore were forced into exile. Disguised among the normal citizens of modern-day New York, these magical characters have created their own peaceful and secret society within an exclusive luxury apartment building called Fabletown. But when Snow White's party-girl sister, Rose Red, is apparently murdered, it is up to Fabletown's sheriff, a reformed and pardoned Big Bad Wolf, to determine if the killer is Bluebeard, Rose's ex-lover and notorious wife killer, or Jack, her current live-in boyfriend and former beanstalk-climber.

**Marjorie Liu; illustrated by Sana Takeda**
Monstress: Book One
A teenage girl struggles to overcome the trauma of war in an alternate, matriarchal 1900s Asia that's brimming with arcane dangers. This task is made even more difficult by her mysterious psychic link to an eldritch monster of tremendous power—a connection that will transform them both and place them in the crosshairs of both human and otherworldly powers.

**Alison Bechdel; illustrated by Alison Bechdel**
Fun Home
In this groundbreaking, bestselling graphic memoir, Alison Bechdel charts her fraught relationship with her late father. In her hands, personal history becomes a work of amazing subtlety and power, written with controlled force and enlivened with humor, rich literary allusion, and heartbreaking detail.
Distant and exacting, Bruce Bechdel was an English teacher and director of the town funeral home, which Alison and her family referred to as the "Fun Home." It was not until college that Alison, who had recently come out as a lesbian, discovered that her father was also gay. A few weeks after this revelation, he was dead, leaving a legacy of mystery for his daughter to resolve.

**Charles Soule; illustrated by Javier Pulido and Ron Wimberley**
She-Hulk Vol. 1: Law and Disorder
She-Hulk is taking a stand, and this time in a court of law! Jennifer Walters has been a dedicated member of the Avengers and the FF, but now she's seeking professional success with an independent, super-powered law firm! Her first client? Kristoff Vernard, the spoiled son of Victor Von Doom!

### Nonfiction

**Bill Bryson**
The Body: A Guide for Occupants
A Walk in the Woods: Rediscovering America on the Appalachian Trail
At Home: A Short History of Private Life

**Kevin Cook**
Ten Innings at Wrigley: The Wildest Ballgame Ever, with Baseball on the Brink

**Lynne Cox**
Swimming in the Sink: An Episode of the Heart
Grayson
Swimming to Antartica: Tales of a Long-Distance Swimmer
Nonfiction (continued)

Rob Dunn
Never Home Alone: From Microbes to Millipedes, Camel Crickets, and Honeybees, the Natural History of Where We Live

Ross Gay
The Book of Delights: Essays

Doris Kearns Godwin
Leadership in Turbulent Times
No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II
Wait Till Next Year: A Memoir

Tyler Kepner
K: A History of Baseball in Ten Pitches

Mark Kurlansky
Salt: A World History
Milk! A 10,000-Year Food Fracas
Cod: A Biography of the Fish that Changed the World

Erik Larson
The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair that Changed America
The Splendid and the Vile: A Saga of Churchill, Family, and Defiance During the Blitz (New Book)

David McCullough
The Wright Brothers
The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris

Christopher McDougall
Running with Sherman: The Donkey with the Heart of a Hero
Born to Run: A Hidden Tribe, Super Athletes, and the Greatest Race the World Has Never Seen

Jon Meacham and Tim McGraw
Songs of America: Patriotism, Protest, and the Music that Made a Nation

George Orwell
All Art is Propaganda: Critical Essays
Facing Unpleasant Facts: Narrative Essays

Mary Roach
Packing for Mars: The Curious Science of Life in the Void
Gulp: Adventures on the Alimentary Canal

Dava Sobel
The Glass Universe: How the Ladies of the Harvard Observatory Took the Measure of the Stars
Galileo’s Daughter: A Historical Memoir of Science, Faith, and Love
Longitude: The True Story of a Lone Genius Who Solved the Greatest Scientific Problem of His Time

Neil deGrasse Tyson
Astrophysics for People in a Hurry (audio version highly recommended)
**Hobbies**
Gardening in Miniature by Janit Calvo  
Essential Oils for Beauty, Wellness, and the Home by Alicia Atkinson  
Playing with Books by Jason Thompson  
Every Body Yoga by Jessamyn Stanley  
Girl Hunter by Georgia Pellegrini  
On Learning Golf by Percy Boomer

**Biographies/Memoirs**
Educated by Tara Westover  
Born A Crime by Trevor Noah  
The Glass Castle by Jeanette Walls  
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot  
Furiously Happy by Jenny Lawson  
You Never Forget Your First: A Biography of George Washington by Alexis Coe

**Poetry**
Billy Collins  
Joy Harjo  
Juan Felipe Herrera  
W. S. Merwin  
Mary Oliver  
Tracy K. Smith  
Natasha Trethewey  
Kevin Young