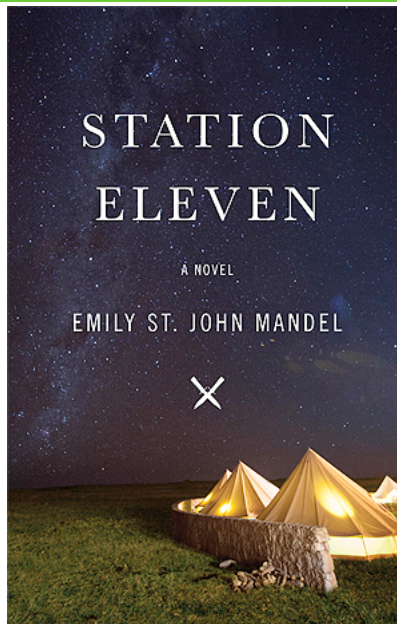


# THE BIG READ



## 2018 Selections

### *Station Eleven*

Emily St. John Mandel  
Grades 9-12

### *The Wednesday Wars*

Gary D. Schmidt  
Grades 6-8

### *The Stratford Zoo*

### *Midnight Revue*

### *Presents: Macbeth*

Ian Lendler & Zack  
Giallongo  
Grades 2-5

## The Big Read (Grades 9-12)

*Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel. Big Read resource materials will be made available online.

*Station Eleven*: In this post-apocalyptic novel about the power of art and relationships, a violent prophet threatens a band of traveling actors after a devastating flu pandemic wipes out civilization as we know it.

## The Middle Big Read (Grades 6-8)

*The Wednesday Wars* by Gary D. Schmidt. Resource guides will be available beginning in January.

*The Wednesday Wars* is a wonderfully witty and compelling story about a teenage boy's mishaps and adventures over the course of the 1967-68 school year in Long Island, New York. Holling Hoodhood is certain Mrs. Baker hates him. Why else would she make him read the plays of William Shakespeare? In this Newberry Honor-winning novel, Schmidt offers an unforgettable antihero.

## The Little Big Read (Grades 2-5)

*The Stratford Zoo Midnight Revue Presents: Macbeth* by Ian Lendler and Zack Giallongo. Resource guides will be available beginning in January.

The Stratford Zoo looks like a normal zoo until the gates shut at night. That's when the animals come out of their cages to stage elaborate performances of Shakespeare's greatest works. Ian Lendler's hilarious tale of after-hours animal stagecraft is perfectly paired with the evocative artwork of Zack Giallongo in this adorable and accessible graphic novel.

### For Grades K-2:

Traveling Art on the Road Kits will include activities and stories for our youngest readers: Available in January.



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