Books with International Themes for Rising IB 9th Graders

**Fiction**

Things Fall Apart – Chinua Achebe

The Book Thief – Markus Zusak

Never Fall Down – Patricia McCormick

Island’s End – Padma Venkatraman

The Murder of Bindy McKenzie - Jaclyn Moriarty

Between Shades of Gray – Ruta Sepetys

Words in the Dust – Trent Reedy

Brave Story - Miyuki Miyabe

**Non-Fiction**

The Poet Slave of Cuba: A Biography of Juan Francisco Manzano – Margarita Engle

Planting the Trees of Kenya: The Story of Wangari Maathai – Claire Nivola

The Wall: Growing Up Behind Soviet Communism – Peter Sis

Out of Bounds: Seven Stories of Conflict and Hope – Beverly Naidoo

The Flag of Childhood: Poems from the Middle East - Naomi Shihab Nye

**Graphic Novels**

Persepolis: The Story of a Childhood – Marjane Satrapi

Little White Duck: A Childhood in China (graphic novel) – Na Liu and Andres Vera Martinez

American Born Chinese – Gene Luen Yang

Maus – Art Spiegelman