

## Summer Reading List 2012 Students Entering Grade 5

Below is a summer reading list for incoming fifth graders. To help your child find their reading level, have them read one full page of text. Fewer than three mistakes indicates a comfortable reading level. Please remember that the goal of summer reading is for enjoyment and to maintain skills. Therefore, we encourage each child to read at least 2 books from the list. After they finish each book, students need to complete the following on lined paper (illustration may be done on plain paper):

- At least one paragraph (5-7 sentences) summarizing the plot of the story including all major events. Support with details and evidence from the text.
- At least one paragraph (5-7 sentences) identifying and describing at least two of the main characters (person, animal, or imaginary creature) in the book and telling how the characters changed throughout the story. Support with details and evidence from the text.
- At least one paragraph (5-7 sentences) describing the setting (time and place) of the story. Support with details and evidence from the text.
- An illustration showing the most important scene in the story, including a caption describing the illustration.

Students should bring their completed projects with them in September and hand them in to their homeroom teachers. Students who complete summer reading will be recognized in the fall. Happy Reading!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. DeThomas, Ms. Fraser, and Mrs. Voci

Author	Title
Atwater, R.	Mr. Popper's Penguins
Avi	Night's Journey
Bunting, Eve	Nasty, Stinky Sneakers
Christopher	Return of the Homerun Kid
Cleary, B.	Strider
	Dear Mr. Henshaw
Clements, A.	The Landry News
	The Report Card
Craighead George, J.	The Sign of the Beaver
	Julie of the Wolves

Creech, S.  
Curtis, C.

Cushman, K.  
Dahl, R.

Fitzhugh, L.  
Gutman, D.  
Jennings, P.  
Juster, N.  
Kehret, P.  
Kurzweil, A.

L'Engle, M.  
Levine, G.  
North, S.  
Norton, M.  
O'Brien, R.  
Park, L.  
Park, B.  
Paulsen, G.  
Rylant, C.

Reilly Giff, P.  
Selden, G.  
Snyder, Z.  
Spinelli, J.

St. John, L.

Yee, L.

My Side of the Mountain  
Ruby Holler  
Bud, Not Buddy  
The Watsons Go to Birmingham  
Katherine Called Birdy  
George's Marvelous Machine  
The BFG  
Harriet the Spy  
Satch & Me  
Faith and the Electric Dogs  
The Phantom Toll Booth  
Cages  
Leon and the Spitting Image  
Leon and the Champion Chip  
A Wrinkle in Time  
Ella Enchanted  
Rascal  
Homer Price  
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH  
The Borrowers  
Skinny Bones  
Hatchet  
Gooseberry Park  
Missing May  
Lilly's Crossing  
A Cricket in Times Square  
The Egypt Game  
The Library Card  
Pickle Mania  
The White Giraffe  
Dolphin Song  
Millicent Min: Girl Genius