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Dear Families,

Summer provides a wonderful opportunity for students and families to enjoy great books together! The goal of the Fifth Grade Summer Reading Program is to foster a love of reading. Reading over the summer can also help students to maintain, or even improve their reading skills.



In order to meet the needs of each students' reading skills and interests, fifth grade has attached a list of suggested books and all books are listed by reading level. The suggested summer reading list contains a variety of genres at various reading levels. Students are encouraged to read books that match their level of comprehension. There are no required novels for fifth grade. Students may select books from the entire suggested summer reading list, or any book that is of interest to them. Students are also more encouraged to read when they read the same title as a friend or family member and when they engage in ongoing discussions about the book.

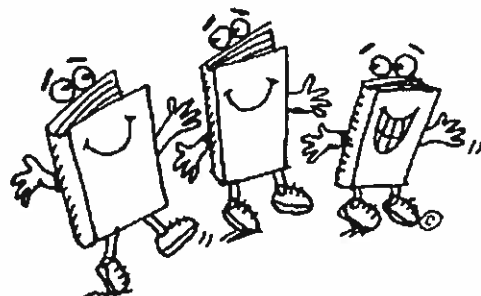
Although it is not required, we recommend that students use strategies to help them to engage in the text. Some strategies include keeping a reading log of the books that they read over the summer. A reading log is attached which allow students to record the date they complete the book, the title, and the number of pages in the book. Students may also benefit from completing a quick assignment having to do with one of the books they read before the school year begins. A grade-level appropriate graphic organizer is attached (fiction/non-fiction) and students may choose to complete one of organizers for a book of their choosing.

Any student who completes one of the above activities and returns it during the first week of school will receive a free homework pass (and another special surprise) for completing the summer reading assignment.

Remember, the goal is to make reading such a natural part of your child's life that you won't need to remind them to read. Being an avid reader is the surest path to academic success. Have an enjoyable summer!

Sincerely,

5th Grade ELA Teachers



Recommended Books



Level M

Ivy & Bean #1 by Annie Barrows
Magic Treehouse: Dinosaurs Before Dark
by Mary Pope Osborn

Level N

Puppy Place: Goldie by Ellen Miles
A to Z Mysteries: The Missing Mummy by Ron Roy

Level O

Henry Huggins by Judy Blume
Sideways Stories from Wayside School by Louis Sachar
Nonfiction: Shark Lady True Adventures by Ann McGvoern

Level P

Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl
Mr. Popper's Penguins by Florence & Richard Atwater
NF: Who Was Charles Darwin by Deborah Hopkinson

Level Q

I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic by Laura Tarshis
El Deafo by Cece Bell

Level R

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
Rules by Cynthia Lord
Who Was Helen Keller by Gare Thompson

Level S

Restart by Gordon Korman
Magic Treehouse: Space by Mary Pope Osborne

Level T

One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams-Garcia
Matilda by Roald Dahl
Woodsong by Gary Paulsen



Fiction Book Report

Name: _____

Date: _____

BOOK TITLE & AUTHOR

Identify & Describe:

Favorite Character: _____

Setting: _____

Important Event: _____

Words I was unsure of...

WORD: _____

DEFINITION: _____

WORD: _____

DEFINITION: _____

Summary:

Predictions I have...

Star Rating



Explanation:

Non-Fiction Book Report

Name: _____

Date: _____

BOOK TITLE & AUTHOR

The 3 Most Interesting Facts I Learned..

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

2 New Words I Learned..

WORD: _____

DEFINITION: _____

WORD: _____

DEFINITION: _____

Illustration

I Question I Still Have..

Star Rating



Explanation: _____
