

*“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn,
the more places you’ll go.*

-Dr. Seuss



Grade 5 Summer Reading List

Dear New 5th Graders,

As your summer begins we, your 5th grade teachers, have come up with a list of some terrific books we think you would enjoy. Reading every day can be both enjoyable and informative. We encourage you to take the time to read various types of materials, such as books, magazines, and newspapers. The list below is a great place to start if you need some ideas or suggestions. During the first few weeks of school, you will do an in-class project to share one summer read. Make sure to complete the **Summer Reading Note Catcher** before school begins. We want you to have fun and read during the summer break. Have a great summer and be sure to enjoy a good book! See you in September!

Sincerely,

The Fifth Grade Teachers

Favorite Series

The Kane Chronicles by Rick Riordan

Among the Hidden by Margaret Haddix

The World According to Humphrey (and others in the series) by Betsy Birney

Into the Wild (Warriors Book One) (and others in the series) by Erin Hunter

The Land of Stories by Chris Colfer

Explorer Academy by Trudi Trueit

Because of Mr. Terupt (and others in the series) by Rob Buyea

The Perfect Score (and others in the series) by Rob Buyea

My Life as a Book by Janet Tashjian (and others in the series)

Mysteries

The Sixty-Eight Rooms by Marianne Malone

When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead
Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett
Framed by James Ponti (and others in the series)
The Fun Jungle Series by Stuart Gibbs
Spy School Series by Stuart Gibbs
Capture the Flag by Messner (and others in the series)
Greenglass House by Milford (and others in the series)

Adventure

The Magician's Elephant by Kate DiCamillo
Hatchet by Gary Paulson
A Week in the Woods by Andrew Clements
Scouts by Shannon Greenland
Houdini and Me by Gutman
Pony by Palacio
Last Day on Mars by Emerson

Relationships

Ruby Holler by Sharon Creech
The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle by Leslie Connor
Touch Blue by Cynthia Lord
Everything for a Dog by Ann M. Martin
Wonder by R.J. Palacio
Small as an Elephant by Jennifer Jacobson
Caterpillar Summer by Gillian McDunn
Merci Suarez Changes Gears by Meg Medina

Science Fiction/Fantasy

The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau
Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine

Savvy by Ingrid Law

Sweep by Jonathan Auxier

Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins

Fablehaven by Mull

Familiars by Epstein

Historical Fiction

Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko

Roberto and Me by Dan Gutman (and others in the series)

The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg by Rodman Philbrick

Prairie Lotus by Sue Park

Miscellaneous Fiction

Leon and the Champion Chip by Allen Kurzweil

No Talking by Andrew Clements (and others written by this author)

Linked by Gordon Korman

Save Me a Seat by Sara Weeks

Notes from a Liar and Her Dog by Gennifer Choldenko

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin

Sports

One-handed Catch by Auch

Sliding into Home by Butler

Distance to Home by Bishop

Baseball Genius series by Tim Green

Out Standing in My Field by Jennings

Travel Team by Lupica

Non Fiction

A Whiff of Pine, a Hint of Skunk: A Forest of Poems by Deborah Ruddell

You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?! by Jonah Winter

You Never Heard of Willie Mays by Jonah Winter

Pharaoh's Boat by David L. Weitzman

River of Dreams: the Story of the Hudson River by Hudson Talbott

Jacob's Rescue by Malka Drucker and Michael Halperin

History Smashers Series by Kate Messner

Name: _____

5th Grade Summer Reading Note Catcher

Title: _____

Author: _____

Setting

Time: _____

Place: _____

Characters

Character: _____
Traits: _____

Character: _____
Traits: _____

Character: _____
Traits: _____

Events

Beginning: _____

Middle: _____

End: _____

