Fifth Grade Summer Reading Survey 2012

Our goal for summer reading is for kids to enjoy what they are reading. Lifelong readers are created when people develop skills to select and find books they love. With this goal in mind we are not requiring students to read any particular titles. We are asking students to read at least three to five books of **their choice**. In order to help students find books, we are providing reading lists at each grade level. Students can choose books from this list, from any list linked on the school website, or find something on their own. Parents and students, you should know that **students at each grade level recommended the books** on these lists; the content and level of difficulty range from about 4th grade to adult. This list was generated by this year's 5th grade class, with some teacher additions.

Age recommendations i.e., (Grade 5+) are taken from *School Library Journal*.



indicates book won a literary award or was starred in review journals

HISTORICAL FICTION



Caddie Woodlawn by Carol Ryrie Brink (Gr. 5+)

Bud, Not Buddy and others by Christopher Paul Curtis (Gr. 4-7)



Turtle in Paradise by Jennifer L. Holm (Gr. 4-6)



Number the Stars by Lois Lowry (Gr. 3-7)



A Single Shard and others by Linda Sue Park (Gr. 5-8)

Glory Be by Augusta Scattergood (Gr. 5-8)



The Wednesday Wars by Gary D. Schmidt (Gr. 6-9)



Heart of a samurai: based on the true story of Nakahama Manjiro by Margi Preus (Grade 5+)

Moon over Manifest by Clare Vanderpool (Gr. 5-8)



Devil Arithmetic by Jane Yolen (Gr. 4-8)

MYSTERY/HORROR

Candymakers by Wendy Mass (Gr. 4-8)



Coraline by Neil Gaiman (Gr. 6-8)

Nancy Drew by Carolyn Keene



Skeleton Man by Joseph Bruchac (Gr. 4-7)



The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin (Gr. 5+)



Wonderstruck by Brian Selznick (Gr. 4-8)

The London Eye Mystery by Siobhan Dowd (Grade 5+)

The Haunting of Granite Falls and others by Eva Ibbotsen (Grade 4+)

Theodore Boone series by John Grisham (Grade 6+)

Chasing Vermeer, Wright 3 and others by Blue Balliett

ADVENTURE

Alex Rider series by Anthony Harrowitz (Gr. 5-10)



Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart (Gr. 5-9)

Running Out of Time by Margaret Peterson Haddix (Gr. 5-8)

Young Bond series by Charlie Higson (Gr. 6-9)

FANTASY/SCIENCE FICTION

Nine Pound Hammer and others by John Claude Bemis (Gr.5-8)



Brotherbond Chronicles series by John Flanagan (Gr. 6+)

Double Identity by Margrett Petterson Haddix (Gr. 5-8)



Dragon Rider by Cornelia Funke (Gr. 4-6)

Dragon Slippers by Jessica Day George (Gr. 5-8)

Eragon by Christopher Paolini



Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins (Gr. 4-8)

Harry Potter series by J.K. Rowling (Gr. 4-7)

Last Dragon Chronicles by Chris D'Lacey (Gr. 7+)

Last Hero series by Rick Riordan (Gr. 5-9)

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis (Gr. 5+)

Lionboy by Zizou Corder (Gr. 4-6)

Lord of the Rings by J.R.R. Tolkein

Maximum Ride by James Patterson (Gr. 6-9)

Museum of Thieves by Lian Tanner (Gr. 4-8)



Percy Jackson series by Rick Riordan (Gr. 5-9)

Ranger's Apprentice series by John Flanagan (Gr. 5-8)

This Book is Secret by Pseudonymous Bosch (Gr. 4-6)

Warriors series by Erin Hunter (Gr. 4-6)



When You Reach Me by Wendy Mass (Gr. 5-8)

HUMOR



Al Capone Does My Shirts and others by Jennifer Choldenko (Gr.5-8)

Surviving the Applewhites by Stephanie S. Tolan (Gr.5-8)

Big Nate by Lincoln Pierce (Gr. 3-6)

Calvin and Hobbes by Bill Watterson

Darth Paper Strikes Back by Tom Angleburger (Gr. 3-6)

Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney (Gr. 4-8)

Frog Princess by E.D. Baker (Gr. 4-6)



Mrs. Piggle Wiggle by Betty McDonald (Gr. 3-5)

Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket (Gr. 4-6)

Strange Case of Origami Yoda by Tom Angleburger (Gr. 3-6)

NON-FICTION

Marley: A Dog Like No Other by John Grogan (Gr. 5-8)

Amelia Lost: The Life and Disappearance of Amelia Earhart by Candace Fleming (Gr.4-7)

We Are the Ship: the story of the Negro Baseball League by Kadir Nelson (Gr.4+)

Almost Astronauts: 13 Women Who Dared to Dream by Tanya Lee Stone (Gr. 5-7)

Drawing From Memory by Allen Say (Gr. 5+)

REALISTIC FICTION

11 Birthdays and others by Wendy Mass (Gr. 5+)

Drums, Girls and Dangerous Pie and others by Jordan Sonnenblick (Gr. 6-9)

Also Known as Harper by Ann Hay Wood Leal (Gr. 4-6)

Walk Two Moons and others by Sharon Creech (Gr. 5-8)

Close to Famous by Joan Bauer (Gr. 5-8)

Dead End of the Norvelt by Jack Gantos (Gr. 5-8)

Dog's Life by Ann M. Martin (Gr. 4-6)

Dork Diaries by Rahel Renee Ruynell (Gr. 4+)

Flipped by Wendelin Draanen (Gr. 6-9)

Fold by An Na (Gr.8-10)

Great Wall of Lucy Wu by Wendy Shang (Gr. 4-6)

Higher Power of Lucky by Susan Patron (Gr. 4-6)*

Kira Kira by Cynthia Karohata (Gr. 6-8)

Loser and others by Jerry Spinelli (Gr. 4-6)

Million Dollar Shot by Dan Gutman (Gr. 4-6)

Mockingbird by Kathryn Erskine (Gr. 4-6)

My Life in Pink and Green by Lisa Greenwald (Gr. 4-6)

Rocky Road by Rose Kent (Gr. 5-7)



Hoot and others by Carl Hiassen (Gr.6-9)