

5TH GRADE SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT



Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to this next "chapter" of your life--fifth grade! Students and adults often ask how to prepare for it. The best thing you can do is READ! In between all your fun summer activities, or at the end of a busy day, settle in with a good book. We believe in giving students as much choice and opportunity as possible in discovering new books. Research shows that when children get to select their own books, they are not only better able to find something at their independent reading level, but are also more interested and invested in reading, in general. Attached you will find some books that are recommended for fifth grade and I am happy to recommend more if you would like over the summer.

Please be sure to **NOT** read the following books as they may be part of our class novel studies next year: *A Wrinkle in Time*, *Restart*, *All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook*, *Sign on the Beaver*, *Circus Mirandus*, *Fortunately, the Milk*, *No Talking*

For our summer reading, we are going to play BINGO!!! If you complete a "blackout" (meaning you fill in the whole board) you will get a prize the first week of school! All you have to do is complete the reading task in each of the boxes and have an adult initial them. You should read at least 20 minutes for each box. Bring in your BINGO board on the first day of school and one of the books, plays, or magazines you read, so you can take part in a Book Chat. A Book Chat is where you'll share your thoughts on what you read, make connections between texts, and make recommendations to friends. Fill out the attached questionnaire to help you remember what you read and some other questions to help you explore your reading. You only need to fill it out for one text.

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OPTIONAL:

1. If you would like another way to track your reading, I have created you a login and password for Scholastic's Summer Reading Challenge. They have new weekly videos and activities as well as an online timer and tracker. You can earn badges each week when you log your minutes. I'm excited to check and see how many minutes you have been reading!

2. The Los Angeles Public Library also has a summer reading challenge where you log your books and do some fun activities to get to win free books and prizes! (I did it last year along with my whole family!)

<https://www.lapl.org/summer>

3. If you love the LA Dodgers, check out their Summer Reading program at: <https://www.dodgersreadingchampions.com/index.php> to try to read and win Dodgers' prizes.

Happy reading! Please do not hesitate to email me this summer if you have any questions at: adaneshrad@ilanramon.com



Happy summer reading!

Ayala Daneshrad

Student Name: _____ Date: _____

Summer Reading BINGO Questionnaire

Name of Book: _____ Author: _____

1. Which genre is the text? (mystery, realistic fiction, biography, etc.)

2. Have you ever read this genre before or was it new for you?

3. What did you like or dislike about reading this genre?

4. Briefly summarize the text you chose:

5. What was your favorite part of the text you chose?

6. Which character would you like to meet from your book? OR What did you learn from the text?

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7. Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?

8. If you could meet the author of the text, what three questions would you ask them?

9. Where was your favorite place to read this summer? Why? Was this a new location for you?

10. Which category on the BINGO board did you enjoy the most? Why?

11. How did you feel about reading before playing Summer Reading Bingo?
How do you feel about reading after playing Summer Reading Bingo?

Summer Reading Bingo!

Who?

What?

How?

Where?

When?

WITH SOMEONE
THAT IS YOUNGER
THAN ME

A BOOK THAT
IS **NON-FICTION**

WITHOUT ANY
SHOES ON

OUTSIDE OF
THE HOUSE

AT NIGHT
TIME

Book:

Book:

Book:

Book:

Book:

WITH A
FAMILY
MEMBER

A BOOK THAT
HAS A **FEMALE**
AUTHOR

WHILE IN
THE **CAR**

AT A
PARK

IN THE
MORNING

Book:

Book:

Book:

Book:

Book:

WITH A
FRIEND

A GRAPHIC
NOVEL, COMIC
BOOK, OR
MANGA.

FREE
SPACE!

IN MY
BED

DURING THE
AFTERNOON

Book:

Book:

Book:

Book:

BY
MYSELF

A BOOK THAT
IS **FICTION**

OUT LOUD TO
SOMEONE ELSE

NEAR A POOL,
LAKE, RIVER,
OR OCEAN

ON A SUNNY
DAY

Book:

Book:

Book:

Book:

Book:

WITH SOMEONE
THAT IS **OLDER**
THAN ME

A BOOK THAT
IS PART OF A
SERIES

WHILE DRINKING
OR EATING
SOMETHING **COLD**

ON THE
COUCH

ON A
SATURDAY

Book:

Book:

Book:

Book:

Book:



5th Grade Summer Reading List (Ages 10- 11)

If you like **fantasy adventures**, you'll love:

- *Chronicles of Narnia* by C.S. Lewis
- *Ophelia and the Marvelous Boy* by Karen Foxlee
- *The Endling* by Katherine Applegate
- Five Kingdoms series by Brandon Mull
- *In a Glass Grimmly* by Adam Gidwitz
- *Nightmares!* by Jason Segel and Kirsten Miller
- *The Secret Zoo* by Bryan Chick
- *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeline L'Engle

If you like **animal adventures**, you'll love:

- *The Last Dogs* by Christopher Holt
- *Warriors* by Erin Hunter
- *Mouseheart* by Lisa Fielder
- *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate
- *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH* by Robert C. O'Brien

If you like **adventures**, you'll love

- *Masterminds* by Gordon Korman
- *Stranded* by Jeff Probst and Chris Tebbetts
- *Spy School* by Stuart Gibbs
- *The Cloak Society* by Jeramey Kraatz
- *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* by Chris Grabenstein

If you like **mysteries**, you'll love:

- *Space Case* by Stuart Gibbs

- *Isabel Feeney, Star Reporter* by Beth Fantaskey
- *Framed! A T.O.A.S.T. Mystery* by James Ponti
- *Warren the 13th and The All-Seeing Eye* by Tania Del Rio
- *Nooks and Crannies* by Jessica Lawson

If you like **historical fiction**, you'll love

- *The War That Saved My Life* by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
- *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park
- *Lost in the Pacific, 1942: Not a Drop to Drink* by Tod Olson
- *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry
- *Stella by Starlight* by Sharon M. Draper
- *Secret of Midway: Ghosts of War #1* by Steve Watkins

If you like **realistic fiction**, try reading:

- *All Four Stars* by Tara Dairman
- *See You in the Cosmos* by Jack Cheng
- *El Deafo* by Cece Bell
- *The Penderwicks* by Jeanne Birdsall
- *Science of Breakable Things* by Tae Keller
- *Kristy's Great Idea Babysitter's Club* by Ann M. Martin
- *Smile, Drama, & Sisters* by Raina Telgemeier
- *Al Capone Does My Shirts* by Gennifer Choldenko

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If you like **funny**, you'll laugh your way through these books:

- *Origami Yoda* (series) by Tom Angleberger
- *Unicorn on a Roll* by Dana Simpson (graphic novel)
- *Middle School: The Worst Years of my Life* by James Patterson and Chris Tebbetts
- *Anyone But Ivy Pocket* by Caleb Krisp
- *Vordak the Incomprehensible* by Vordak T. Incomprehensible
- *Plants vs. Zombies* by Paul Tobin and Ron Chan
- *The Worst Class Trip Ever* by Dave Barry

What about **NONFICTION**? Here are some fantastic, interesting titles:

- *Two Truths and a Lie* by Ammi-Joan Paquette and Laurie Ann Thompson, illustrated by Lisa K. Weber
- *National Geographic Kids Almanac 2018*
- *The Thrifty Guide to Ancient Rome* by Jonathan Stokes