

# Summer Reading List and Suggested Activities K-5<sup>th</sup>

## **Kindergarten Reading List**

#### Fiction:

- Pete the Cat Series
- The Old Woman Who Swallowed... Series
- A Friend for Dragon Series
- Elephant and Piggie Series
- The Pigeon Series

#### **Graphic Novels:**

• The Acorn Books (Dog and Frog, Hog on a Log, Goat on a Boat, etc.)

#### Nonfiction:

- Fly Guy Nonfiction Readers
- What If I Had... Animal Series

## Suggested Authors:

- Eric Carle
- Margaret Wise Brown
- Leo Leonni
- Donald Crews
- Lois Ehlert
- Jane Brett

### **Activity**

Here's a link for a summer reading map where students can cross off the box when they have completed the activity: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1agR2nZ2gdcsdS5d">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1agR2nZ2gdcsdS5d</a> w71HCnmZP 1FmQHv/view?usp=s haring

## **First Grade Reading List**

#### Fiction (Chapter Books):

- Critter Club Series
- Fly Guy Books
- The Good Dog Series
- Magic Tree House Series
- Junie B Jones

#### **Graphic Novels:**

- Narwhal and Jelly Series
- Magic Tree House Graphic
- Dog Man/ Cat Kid Book from the series

### **Suggested Authors:**

- Jane Yolen
- Mary Pope Osborne
- Mo Wilems
- David Shannon
- Gail Gibbons
- Jonathon London

### **Activity**

Have students pick one book from the list and use the bingo board to return on the first day of first grade!

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## **Second-Grade Reading List**

#### Fiction:

- The Secret Rescuers Series
- Captain Underpants
- Bad Guys Series
- The Chicken Squad Series
- Magic Tree House Series

## **Graphic Novels:**

- Dog Man
- Big Nate
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid
- Cat Kid
- Press Start

#### Nonfiction:

- Who Was Series Chapter books
- I Survived Series
- Who Would Win Series

## Suggested Authors:

- Barbara Parks
- Mary Pope Osborne
- Peggy Parrish
- Cynthia Rylant
- David Adler

## **Activity**

Have students pick one book from the list and use the bingo board to return on the first day of second grade.

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# **Third-Grade Reading List**

#### Fiction:

- The Bad Guys Series
- Bad Kitty Series
- Flat Stanley Series

## **Graphic Novels:**

- Big Nate
- I Survived Series
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid
- Geronimo Stilton

#### Nonfiction:

- Who was Series
- I Survived Series
- I Survived Graphic Novels

## Suggested Authors:

- Dan Gutman
- Jeff Kinney
- Patricia Polacco
- Beverly Cleary
- Meghan McDonald
- Ron Roy

## **Activity**

Have students pick one book from the list and use the bingo board to return on the first day of third grade.

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## **Fourth Grade Reading List**

- Frindle (or any book by Andrew Clements)
- Flora & Ulysses (Kate DeCamillo)
- Raymie Nightingale (Kate DeCamillo)
- Holes (Luis Sachar)
- Matilda (Rold Dahl)
- Wings of Fire series (Tui T. Sutherland)
- The City of Ember series (Jeanne DuPrau)
- Mr. Limoncello's Library (Chris Grabenstein)
- The Westing Game (Ellen Raskin)

#### Suggested Authors:

- Sharon Creech
- Lemony Snicket
- Lincoln Pierce
- Andrew Clements
- Seymour Simon
- RJ Palacio
- Madeline L'Engle

## **Activity**

Have students pick one book from the list and complete one of the attached book reviews. <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1</a> IEj0aBfiY7ChbugOmDPL4uu2dLHPpZf/view?usp=s haring

# **Fifth Grade Reading List**

- Amal Unbound
- Esperanza Rising
- Save Me A Seat
- City of Ember Series
- When Stars Are Scattered
- Wild Robot and Wild Robot Returns

#### Suggested Authors:

- EB White
- Lois Lowry
- Louis Sacher
- Kate DiCamillo
- Christopher Paul Curtis
- Gary Paulsen
- Sarah Weeks
- Jerry Spinelli
- Katherine Applegate

## **Activity**

Have students pick one book from the list and complete one of the attached book reviews. <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1</a> IEj0aBfiY7ChbugOmDPL4uu2dLHPpZf/view?usp=s haring

# Stop the Slide!

**Start Summer Reading** 

#### What is the Summer Slide?

The learning loss that occurs when school is not in session.

#### What's the Risk?



Kids who don't read over the summer can lose up to 2 months of development



90% of teachers must reteach material when kids return to school



Reteaching materials can take **4-6 weeks** 

#### **Access Matters**



**96%** of educators say that providing year-round access to books is critical to student achievement

## Summer is for Choice



**53%** of kids say they enjoy reading over the summer



**70%** say it is because they get to read whatever and whenever they want!



92% of kids say they are more likely to read a book they self-select

#### **Get Ahead of Learning Loss**



Reading just 4 to 6 books over the summer can prevent a decline in reading achievement scores



**53%** of parents are aware of the summer slide and are more likely to encourage kids to read while school is out

# How Families Can Encourage Summer Reading

- · Listen to audio books
- Take frequent trips to the library
- Create reading challenges
- Provide opportunities for choice
- Read with children
- Dive into a multi-book series
- · Join a summer reading program
- Host book swapping events
- Access digital books and resources from your school or public library

