

Grade 5- Summer Reading

It is essential to read over the summer months! Reading will increase your fluency, vocabulary skills, and comprehension in all subject areas. All incoming 5th graders are required to read two books from the list below. One book must be from the fiction list and one book from the nonfiction list.

A summary journal for each book is required. The summary journal, for the two books, is to be written in a small notebook to be handed in the first day of school. Each journal entry must be dated and include the page numbers you are summarizing. The summary should be at least 10 complete sentences per entry.

Example: June 8, 2013 p.2-10 or chapter 1

An AR test will also be taken for each book read! Students will have between August 15 and August 31 to take their AR test, once we return back to school.

The book selection is taken from the Indiana Department of Education.

Fiction

The Best Bad Thing- Uchida, Yoshiko BL: 4.9 AR 4.0

Island of the Blue Dolphin- O'Dell, Scott BL: 5.4 AR 6.0

Shiloh- Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds BL: 4.4 AR 4.0

Prairie Songs- Conrad, Pam BL: 5.3 AR 5.0

Lyddie- Paterson, Katherine BL: 5.6 AR 9.0

Among the Enemy- Haddix, Margaret BL: 5.6 AR 7.0

A Bear Named Trouble- Bauer, Marion Dane BL: 5.0 AR 3.0

A Wrinkle In Time- L' Engle, Madeleine BL: 4.7 AR 7.0

Flush- Hiaasen, Carl BL: 5.0 AR 9.0

The Hundred Dresses- Estes, Eleanor BL: 5.4 AR 1.0

Maniac Magee- Spinelli, Jerry BL: 4.7 AR 5.0

Misty of Chinocoteague- Henry, Marguerite BL: 5.3 AR 4.0

Charlie Bone and the Hidden King- Nimmo, Jenny BL: 4.6 AR 10.0

The Sign of the Beaver- Speare, Elizabeth George BL: 4.9 AR 5.0

In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson- Lord, Bette Bao BL: 4.6 AR 4.0

The Black Stallion- Farley, Walter BL: 5.2 AR 7.0

The Little Prince- Saint, Antoine de BL: 5.0 AR 6.2

Tuck Everlasting- Babbitt, Natalie BL: 5.0 AR 4.0

M.C. Higgins, The Great- Hamilton, Virginia BL: 4.4 AR 10.0

Non-Fiction

John Glenn: A space Biography- Kramer, Barbara BL: 5.7 AR 1.0

Mark Twain-Aller, Susan Bivin BL: 5.2 AR 2.0

Christopher Columbus- Hoogerboom, Lynn BL: 5.3 AR 0.5

Edgar Allan Poe- Stressguth, Tom BL: 5.4 AR 2.0

Getting Dressed: Long Ago and Today BL: 4.4 AR 0.5

Worst of Friends: Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and the True Story of an American Feud- Jurmain, Suzanne Tripp BL: 5.2 AR 0.5

Mommoths and Mastodons: Tiatns of the Ice Age- Bardoe, Cheryl BL: 6.9 AR 1.0

Balarama: A Royal Elephant-Lewin, Ted BL: 5.4 AR 1.0

Seed of Change: Planting a Path to Peace- Johnson, Jen Cullerton BL: 4.8 AR 0.5

All Stations! Distress! April 15, 1912: The Day the Titanic Sank- Brown, Don BL: 5.4 AR 0.5
The Boy Who Invented TV: The Story of Philo Farnsworth- Krull, Kathleen BL: 5.5 AR 0.5
The Day-Glo Brother- Barton, Chris BL: 6.0 AR 0.5
Lady Liberty: A Biography- Rappaport, Doreen BL: 4.8 AR 0.5
Bill Gates- Lesinski, Jeanne M. BL: 5.6 AR 2.0
We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball- Nelson, Kadir BL: 5.9 AR 3.0
The Underground Railroad- Williams, Carla BL: 5.1 AR 1.0
Great Pitchers of the Negro Leagues BL: 5.9 AR 1.0
14 Crows for America- Deedy, Carmen Agra BL: 4.1 AR 0.5
Amelia Lost: The Life and Disappearance of Amelia Earhart BL: 6.6 AR 5.0
Horses- Simon, Seymour BL: 5.2 AR 0.5
Discovering Mars: The Amazing Story of the Red Planet- Berger, Melvin BL: 5.1 AR 1.0