

# Entering Fifth Grade Suggested Summer Reading List

Please read any four or more books during the summer. You may use the list below of specific books and topics, or select any other books by the authors referenced below. You must read at least one non-fiction book. Topics listed might be included in the curriculum during the school year.

This list represents a wide range of reading levels; therefore, your child may need assistance selecting appropriate books. If you need to, please use the higher or lower grade level lists based on your child's reading level.

Use the attached sheet to catalogue your completed books and answer the questions for each book.

## Fiction

 <i>Anne of Green Gables Series</i>	L.M. Montgomery
 <i>The Banner in the Sky</i>	James Ramsey Ullman
 <i>Ben and Me</i>	Robert Lawson
 <i>Black Beauty</i>	Anna Sewell
 <i>The Black Stallion</i>	Walter Farley
 <i>Bridge To Teribithia</i>	Katherine Paterson
 <i>Caddie Woodlawn</i>	Carol Ryrie Brink
 <i>Any title by this author</i>	Lloyd Alexander
 <i>Any title by this author</i>	Avi
 <i>The Egypt Game</i>	Zilpha Keatly Snyder
 <i>Elijah of Buxton</i>	Christopher Paul Curtis
 <i>A Family Apart</i>	Joan Lowery Nixon
 <i>Fever and/or Chains</i>	Laurie Halse Anderson
 <i>Any title by this author</i>	Gary Paulsen
 <i>Harry Potter Series</i>	J. K. Rowling
 <i>Holes</i>	Lewis Sacher
 <i>In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson</i>	Bette Bao Lord
 <i>King of the Wind</i>	Marguerite Henry
 <i>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe</i>	C.S. Lewis
 <i>My Side of the Mountain</i>	Jean Craighead George
 <i>Old Yeller</i>	Fred Gibson
 <i>Redwall</i>	Brian Jacques
 <i>A Single Shard</i>	Linda Sue Park
 <i>Any title by this author</i>	Lois Lowry
 <i>Souder</i>	William Howard Armstrong
 <i>The Summer of the Swans</i>	Betsy Byars

-  *Swiss Family Robinson*
-  *Treasure Island*
-  *The Trouble With Tuck*
-  *Tuck Everlasting*
-  *Twenty-One Balloons*
-  *The Voyages of Doctor. Doolittle*
-  *Walk Two Moons*
-  *The Wind in the Willows*
-  *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*
-  *A Wrinkle in Time (and sequels)*

- John David Wyss
- Robert Lewis Stevenson
- Theodore Taylor
- Natalie Babbitt
- William Pene du Bois
- Hugh Lofting
- Sharon Creech
- Kenneth Grahame
- Elizabeth George Speare
- Madeleine L'Engle

## **Non-Fiction Topics**

Pick one or more categories to explore on your own!

**9 Planets: Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter,**

**Airplane design and history**

**American History**

**Gardening – composting**

**History of NASA**

**Lewis and Clark**

**Light and Color**

**Manned space flight**

**Model rocketry**

**Oregon Trail**

**Plants**

**Simple machines – build a better mouse trap**

**Slavery**

**Sound and Music**

**Space travel**

**Telescopes**

**Textile production**

**The Cotton Gin**

**Wagon Trains**

**War (Revolutionary, Civil, World Wars)**