

SUMMER RECOMMENDED READING LIST
Grade 3 - Grade 5

THE IMPORTANCE OF SUMMER READING

By having your child continue reading throughout the summer, you will help develop life-long reading habits and also help maintain literacy skills that have been taught during the school year. There are many ways you can help your child continue the reading habit during the summer months.

- Let your child choose the books to read. Encourage a variety of genres (fiction, biographies, science, history, etc.).
- Visit the public library-it's free and has many summer programs available for children.
- Read to your child. Older students still enjoying listening and discussing stories.

Independent reading levels and Lexile levels represented are based on information from multiple sources. Independent reading levels are determined by the classroom teacher based on the DRA2 administration, while Lexile levels are determined from the F.A.I.R. administration. These levels are only guidelines for readers. Depending on interest, content material and background knowledge of the reader, books may be chosen above or below a reader's level reported by the classroom teacher.

Book Title	Author	Genre	Range of Independent Reading Levels	Lexile Level
A Cricket for Times Square	George Selden	Fiction	O-W	Not leveled
A Picture Book of Louis Braille	David Adler	Biography	S-W	Adult Directed
Abraham Lincoln Comes Home	Robert Burleigh	Non-Fiction	S-W	Adult Directed
Boy, Were We Wrong About the Solar System	Kathleen Kudlinski	Non-Fiction	Q-S	740L
Doll People	Ann Martin	Fiction	N-P	570L
Follow My Leader	James Garfield	Fiction	N-O	670L
Hank the Cowdog	John Erickson	Fiction	O-T	760L
Help Me, Mr. Mutt!	Janet Stevens	Fiction	O-T	Adult Directed
Highway Cats	Janet Taylor Lisle	Fiction	S-W	810L
If You're Not Here, Please Raise Your Hand	Kalli Dakos	Poetry	T-W	Not leveled
James and the Giant Peach	Roald Dahl	Fiction	Q-V	870L

Judy Moody	Peter Reynolds	Fiction	L-P	530L
Lafcadio	Shel Silverstein	Fiction	S-W	Not leveled
Looking for Fingerprints	Melissa Biegert	Non-Fiction	S-W	Not leveled
Mouse and the Motorcycle	Beverly Cleary	Ficiton	O-T	860L
Mr. Popper's Penguins	Richard Atwater	Fiction	P-W	Not leveled
Over the Candlestick Nursery Rhymes and The Real Stories Behind Them	Michael Montgomery	Poetry	S-W	Not leveled
Protecting Marie	Kevin Henkes	Fiction	S-W	810L
Shades of Gray	Carolyn Reeder	Historical Fiction	S-W	800L
Staying Nine	Pam Conrad	Fiction	P-Q	690L
Super Fudge	Judy Blume	Fiction	P-W	Not leveled
T is for Touchdown: A Football Alphabet	Brad Herzog	Fiction	O-W	Not leveled
The Boxcar Children	Gertrude Warner	Fiction	M-O	490L
The Family Under the Bridge	Natalie Carlson	Fiction	N-R	680L
The Hundred Dresses	Eleanor Estes	Fiction	O-Q	870L
The Lemonade War	Jacqueline Davis	Fiction	N-P	630L
The Penderwicks	Jeanne Birdsall	Fiction	S-W	800L
The Tin Forest	Helen Ward	Fiction	Q-V	Adult Directed
The View from Saturday	E.L. Konigsburg	Fiction	S-W	870L
Vampire Bats and Other Creatures of the Night	Philip Steele	Non-Fiction	O-W	Reference Material
Volcanoes	Franklyn Branley	Non-Fiction	N-P	590L
Who Was Walt Disney	Whitney Stewart	Biography	O-T	720L