## Popular/Suggested 5th Grade Reading List Book

Teachers have not read all of these books on the list, so please review the book before your child begins reading a story to see if it's appropriate for him/her. The staff at Politics and Prose is always helpful and ready to give suggestions, too!

Happy Summer Reading!

1. Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli
2. The Golden Compass by Philip Pullman
3. Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling
4. Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin
5. The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
6. Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
7. The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett
8. Lunch Money by Andrew Clements
9. No Talking by Andrew Clements
10. A School Story by Andrew Clements
11. The Homework Machine by Dan Gutman
12. The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau
13. The Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speare
14. Fairy Tale Reform School series by Jen Calonita
15. Eddie Red Undercover series by Marcia Wells
16. Rules by Cynthia Lord
17. Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein
18. Save Me a Seat by Gina Weeks and Gita Varadarajan
19. Titanic by Deborah Hopkinson
20. Candymakers by Wendy Mass
21. The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid
22. Hoot by Carl Hiaasen
23. Nightmares by Jason Segel and Kirsten Miller (Fiction)
24. Spy School by Stuart Gibbs
25. Masterminds by Gordon Korman
26. The War That Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
27. Space Case by Stuart Gibbs
28. Get a Grip Vivy Cohen by Sarah Kapit
29. The Terrible Two by Mac Barnett and Jory John
30. Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish by Pablo Cartaya
31. City Spies by James Ponti
32. Any Mary Downing Hahn books (ghost stories)
33. Any Alan Gratz books (historical fiction; typically about WWII)
34. Roll With It by Jamie Sumner
35. My Life as a Potato by Arianne Costner
36. A Wish In The Dark by Christina Soontornvat
37. Scritch Scratch by Lindsay Currie

## Hello Rising Fifth Grader!

In addition to the Math work you will be doing this summer, you will also be reading one book of your choice, which is at least 150 pages long. It can be fiction or nonfiction, but it should be a book you have not previously read. No graphic novels will be accepted for this assignment (example: Diary of a Wimpy Kid). (Of course we hope you will read several books over your summer holiday, but you only need to report on one of them.)

## Assignment:

After you read each chapter, write a short summary (2-3 sentences). If your book has really short chapters, for example 1-2 pages in length, you can group 2-3 chapters together for your chapter summaries. When you have finished reading the whole book, write a three paragraph summary of the book. Be sure to check spelling and punctuation. You should create a fun cover page (using at least 5 colors and have a full hand-drawn picture) and staple everything together. Your report should be written in cursive or typed. This is due on the first day of school, August 29, 2022. *For every day the assignment is late, 2 points will be deducted.

Have fun, enjoy reading, and see you in August!!
Your Fifth Grade Team

| 5th Grade Summer Book Report |  |  |  |  |
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| Student Name: |  |  |  |  |
| CATEGORY | 10 points | 8 points | 6 points | 4 points |
| Cover Page | Book cover is creative, neat, and demonstrates the reader's understanding of the topic. | Book cover is creative, shows some effort, and demonstrates the reader's understanding of the topic. | Book cover shows minimal effort and an incomplete understanding of the topic. | Project submitted but book cover is not included. |
| Whole Book Summary | Directions were followed and the book summary is very organized with well-constructed paragraphs. | Directions were mostly followed and book summary is generally organized with well-constructed paragraphs. | Directions were not followed entirely and book summary is not properly organized. | The information appears to be disorganized and directions were not followed. |
| Chapter <br> Summary | All chapters summarized using 2-3 informative sentences. | Most chapters summarized using 2-3 sentences. | Some chapter summaries missing or poorly written. | No chapter summaries included. |
| Mechanics | Almost no grammatical*, spelling, or punctuation errors. | A few grammatical*, spelling, or punctuation errors | Obvious grammatical* spelling, or punctuation errors. | Significant grammatical*, spelling, or punctuation errors. |
| Colors and Picture | There are at least 5 colors and a full picture on the title page. | There are at least 4 colors and a picture that takes up $75 \%$ of the title page. | There are at least 3 colors and a picture that takes up $50 \%$ of the title page. | There are 2 or less colors and a small picture on the title page. |
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|  |  | Total: | $\sim^{150}$ | _\% |

*Grammatical errors are based on what skills were learned in 4th grade.

