

*“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you’ll go.*

**-Dr. Seuss**



# Grade 5 Summer Reading List

Dear New 5th Graders,

As your summer begins we, your 5th grade teachers, have come up with a list of some terrific books we think you would enjoy. Reading every day can be both enjoyable and informative. We encourage you to take the time to read various types of materials, such as books, magazines, and newspapers. The list below is a great place to start if you need some ideas or suggestions. During the first few weeks of school, you will do an in-class project to share one summer read. Make sure to complete the **Summer Reading Note Catcher** before school begins. We want you to have fun and read during the summer break. Have a great summer and be sure to enjoy a good book! See you in September!

Sincerely,

The Fifth Grade Teachers

## ***Favorite Series***

The Kane Chronicles by Rick Riordan

Among the Hidden by Margaret Haddix

Inkheart by Cornelia Funke

The World According to Humphrey (and others in the series) by Betsy Birney

Into the Wild (Warriors Book One) (and others in the series) by Erin Hunter

## ***Mysteries***

The Sixty-Eight Rooms by Marianne Malone

Hoot by Carl Hiaason

When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead

Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett

## ***Adventure***

The Magician's Elephant by Kate DiCamillo

Julie of the Wolves by Jean Craighead George

Hatchet by Gary Paulson

Crispin: The Cross of Lead by Avi

A Week in the Woods by Andrew Clements

StormBreaker by Anthony Horowitz

The White Giraffe by Lauren St. John

## ***School Stories***

Leon and the Champion Chip by Allen Kurzweil

Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key by Jack Gantos

My Life as a Fifth Grade Comedian by Elizabeth Levy

No Talking by Andrew Clements

Project Mulberry by Linda Sue Park

## ***Relationships***

Ruby Holler by Sharon Creech

The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

Touch Blue by Cynthia Lord

Everything for a Dog by Ann M. Martin

Wonder by R.J. Palacio

Small as an Elephant by Jennifer Jacobson

## ***Science Fiction/Fantasy***

The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau:

Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine

Savvy by Ingrid Law

## ***Historical Fiction***

Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko

Roberto and Me by Dan Gutman

The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg by Rodman Philbrick

## ***Miscellaneous Fiction***

Travel Team by Mike Lupica

Notes from a Liar and Her Dog by Gennifer Choldenko

Ida B...and Her plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and (Possibly) Save the World by Katherine Hannigan

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin

My Life as a Book by Janet Tashjian

## ***Non Fiction***

A Whiff of Pine, A Hint of Skunk: A Forest of Poems by Deborah Ruddell

You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?! by Jonah Winter

You Never Heard of Willie Mays?! by Jonah Winter

Pharaoh's Boat by David L. Weitzman

River of Dreams: the Story of the Hudson River by Hudson Talbott

Jacob's Rescue by Malka Drucker and Michael Halperin

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## 5th Grade Summer Reading Note Catcher

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