

Decatur Heritage Christian Academy Lower School Summer 2019 Reading List

Second Grade

Purpose:

- * to encourage life-long reading
- * to engage with text in meaningful ways

Recommended Reading: As parents, teachers, and readers ourselves, we believe reading to be a life-long skill that matures over time and impacts every aspect of our lives. Therefore, we are promoting reading - and reading a lot - over the summer for pleasure, for learning, and for expanding horizons. We are requesting that each child select one book to complete a book review for presentation to the class. Attached please find the necessary information that is due by August 20th.

The following are suggestions of some of our favorites:

Suggested Authors: Fiction

Mem Fox
Cynthia Rylant
Kevin Henkes
Marcus Pfister
Eric Carle
Kate DiCamillo
Eve Bunting

Suggested Authors: Nonfiction

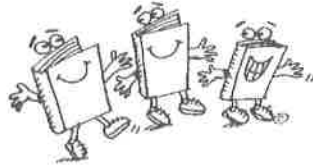
Nic Bishop
Nicola Davies
Steve Jenkins and Robin Page
Gail Gibbons
Greg Tang
Jerry Palotta
Seymour Simon

Suggested Series: Fiction

Henry and Mudge
Poppleton
Mr. Putter and Tabby
Mercy Watson
Minnie and Moo
Nate the Great
The Magic Tree House
Amelia Bedelia

Suggested Series: Nonfiction

National Geographic Explorer
Time for Kids
Who was _____? (biographies)
Rookie Biographies
National Geographic for Kids
See More Readers



BOOK REVIEW

Title: _____

Author: _____

Write what the book is about:

Draw a picture of your favorite part of the book:

Would you recommend this book to a friend and why?

Third Grade Summer Reading List

Students entering 3rd grade are required to read at least two books from the following list. You may choose one of the books listed below or any book written by the spotlight author or classic series. **One book must be a biography** which will be used to complete the attached "Can a Character" reading project. Projects will be due August 17.

Have a WONDERFUL summer!

Ben & Me
Charlotte's Web
Chocolate Fever
Homer Price
How to Eat Fried Worms
The Keeping Quilt
Little House in the Big Woods
The Mouse and the Motorcycle
Mr. Popper's Penguins
Ramona Quimby, Age 8
Sarah, Plain and Tall

Robert Lawson
E.B. White
Robert Kimmel Smith
Robert McCloskey
Thomas Rockwell
Patricia Polacco
Laura Ingalls Wilder
Beverly Cleary
Richard Atwater
Beverly Cleary
Patricia MacLachlan

Spotlight Author:

Jack Prelutsky (poetry)

Classic Series:

The Boxcar Children
Encyclopedia Brown
Dear America

Gertrude Chandler Warner
Donald Sobol
various authors

Biographies:

Abe Lincoln Remembers
Amelia Earhart (Young Patriots Series)
Buzz Aldrin: Reaching for the Moon
Duke Ellington
Eleanor Everywhere: The Life of Eleanor Roosevelt
Oh, the Places He Went

Ann Turner
Jane Moore Howe
Buzz Aldrin (autobiography)
Andrea Pinkney
Monica Kulling
Maryann Weidt

Any biography from the following series:

Childhood of Famous Americans
Who Was Series
Young Patriots Series

various authors
various authors
various authors

CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

Third Grade Summer Reading Project

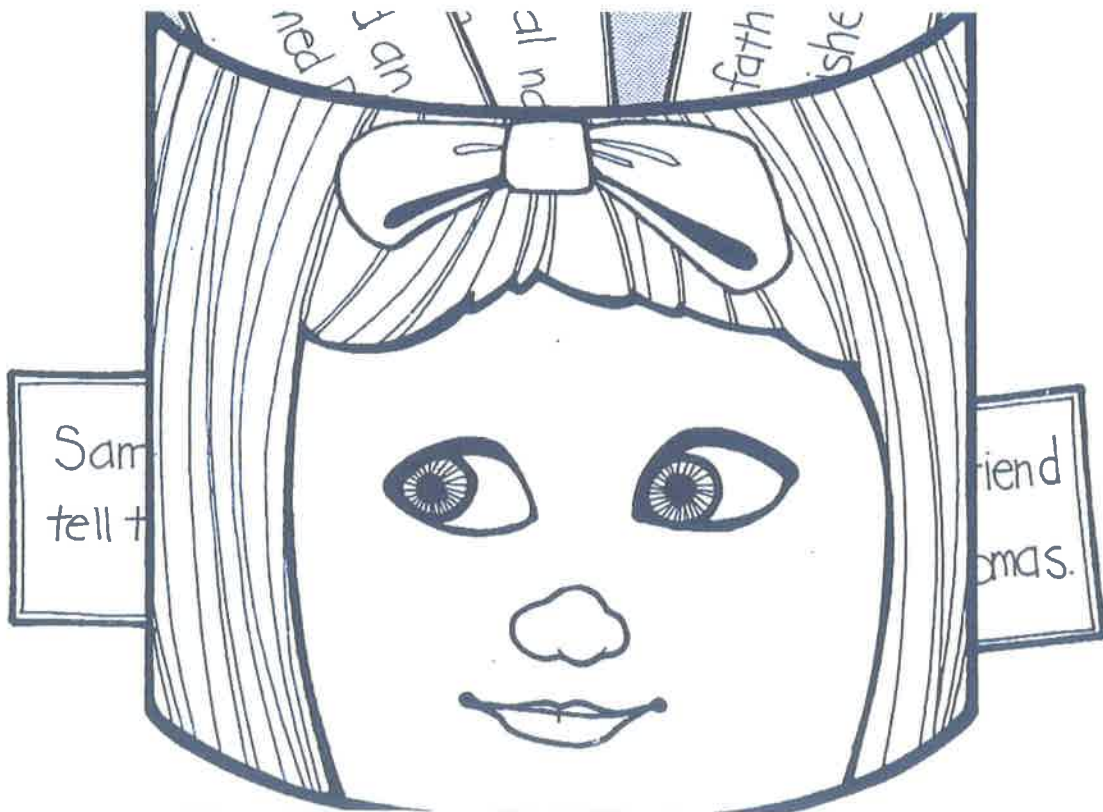
“Can a Character”

What You Need:

a coffee can or large soup can (any type of can is fine)
index cards cut into strips
various craft supplies such as: colored yarn, construction paper, crayons, colored pencils or markers, fabric scraps, glue, scissors...**BE CREATIVE ☺!**

What You Do:

1. Read a biography from the Summer Reading List.
2. Make the can look like the character by using any type of craft materials.
3. Write 5 sentences that tell about your character on index card strips.
4. Put the strips in the can.
5. Bring the can to school by Monday, August 12.



Decatur Heritage Christian Academy

Lower School Summer 2019 Reading List

Fourth Grade

Objectives:

- To encourage life-long reading
- To engage with text in meaningful ways

Recommended Reading: We are requesting that the students read a lot over the summer. Please select books your child is interested in and will enjoy reading. We are requesting that each child select two Kate DiCamillo's books to complete a summer reading project for presentation to the class. You will find the necessary information attached to complete a flow chart for each book. Compare both titles on the attached Venn Diagram.

Please choose two of the following Kate DiCamillo books for the summer reading project:

Because of Winn Dixie

Mercy Watson, Princess in Disguise

The Magician's Elephant

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane

The Tale of Despereaux

The Tiger Rising

Continued on the next 3 pages

Title of Book:

Characters: Who is in the story?

Setting: Where and when does the story take place?

What happens in the story?

Beginning:



Middle:



End:

My favorite part was

Continued

Title of Book:

Characters: Who is in the story?

Setting: Where and when does the story take place?

What happens in the story?

Beginning:



Middle:



End:

My favorite part was

Continued

Decatur Heritage Christian Academy

Lower School Summer 2019 Reading List

5th grade

Students should read at least two (2) books this summer. One book will be the student's choice from the list below. The other book, **Time Stops for No Mouse by Michael Hoeye**, is required for all students. We will begin the year with an assessment and activities based on these books.

Assignment: For both books, students should complete a notecard with title, author, setting, main characters with a brief description, and a very short (2-3 sentences) summary of the book.

Recommended Reading List for 5th Grade

Old Yeller	Fred Gipson
Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm	Kate Wiggin
Dear Mr. Henshaw	Beverly Cleary
The Secret Garden	Frances Burnett
The Watsons go to Birmingham	Christopher Curtis
Johnny Tremain	Ester Forbes
Report Card	Andrew Clements
Hoot	Carl Hiaasen
Rasco and The Rats of Nimh	Robert O'Brien
Anne of Green Gables - series	L.M. Montgomery
A Series of Unfortunate Events – series	Lemony Snicket
The Adventures of Hank The Cowdog – series	John Erickson
Little House In The Big Woods	Laura Ingalls Wilder
Farmer Boy	Laura Ingalls Wilder
Dear Mr. President	Andrew Pinkney
Daddy Long Legs	Jean Webster
The Bark of The Bog Owl	Jonathan Rogers
Little Women, Little Men	Louisa Alcott
Crispin: The Cross of Lead	AVI

Continued on Next Page

Recommended Reading List for 5th Grade (continued)

Julie of the Wolves

Wind in the Willows

Chronicles of Narnia

Sarah Bishop

Maniac Magee

The Book of Virtues

Hardy Boy's – series

Sugar Creek Gang – series

Spy for the Night Raiders

Wonder

Nancy Drew Series

The Story of Dr. Doolittle

Mystery of the Wild Surfer (The Ladd family Adventure Series)

Jean George

Kenneth Graham

C.S. Lewis

Scott O'Dell

Jerry Spinelli

William Bennett

Frank Dixon

Paul Hutchens

Dave and Neta Jackson

R.J. Palacio

Carolyn Keene

Hugh Lofting

Lee Roddy

Any book from the following authors:

C.S. Lewis

Michael Hoeye

Andrew Clements

Jerry Spinelli

Beverly Cleary

6th Grade Summer Reading

*All students entering 6th grade should read Hatchet by Gary Paulsen. Please complete this just before school begins. It will be discussed during the first weeks of school.

*All students entering 6th grade should also read at least one other book that is appropriate for age and reading level.

Please complete a note card with book title, author, main characters, setting and a very short summary for this book for a project at the beginning of the year.

Listed below are a few authors to consider, but you may choose any book you are interested in reading.

Rick Riordan

J. K. Rowling

Jerry Spinelli

Sharon Creech

Christopher Paul Curtis

Margaret Peterson Haddix

C. S. Lewis

Gordan Korman

Mike Lupika

Kwame Alexander

Katherine Applegate

Frank Peretti

Avi

Carolyn Keene

Frank Dixon

E. L. Konigsburg

Gary Schmidt

Wilson Rawls (but please don't read Where the Red Fern Grows)

R .J. Palacio

Biographies of sports figures, missionaries, business leaders, etc.

Non-fiction books of interest