

Summer Reading 2022

Rising Third, Fourth, and Fifth Graders

Students who are entering third, fourth, or fifth grade have two options for summer reading. Students only choose one of the options (either A or B) to complete, unless you want to do both! Happy Reading!!!

A. Choice One

1) Read a book

- a. Choose a book to read from the grade level suggested titles below.
- b. Or choose a chapter book at your appropriate level

2) Write a book report

- a. After reading your book, write a book report that answers the following: who, what, where, when, why, and how.
- b. Include important information and details regarding...
 - i. the plot
 - ii. characters
 - iii. setting
 - iv. problem and
 - v. solution
- c. Book report must be a certain length
 - i. 3rd grade - at least three paragraphs long, with each paragraph consisting of no less than four sentences.
 - ii. 4th grade - at least four paragraphs long, with each paragraph consisting of no less than four sentences.
 - iii. 5th grade - at least five paragraphs long, with each paragraph consisting of no less than four sentences.
- d. Editing/Proof Reading
 - i. Minimal spelling errors (you can edit with a parent)
 - ii. Each paragraph must be indented
 - iii. Minimal errors in punctuation
 - iv. Capitalization rules must be followed
 - v. Verb tenses/grammar should be correct

3) Share and turn in your report

- a. At the beginning of school, be ready to share your book report with the class.
- b. Turn in your book report to your teacher for your first English grade 😊.

Suggested book titles 3rd Grade:

Just a Few Words Mr. Lincoln by Jean Fritz
Sarah Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan
The Cricket in Time Square by George Seldon
Hero by Sarah Lean
How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell

Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
The Littles by John Peterson
The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate
My Fathers Dragon by Ruth Stiles Gannett
Shiloh by Reynolds Naylor

Suggested book titles 4th Grade:

The Cricket in Time Square by George Seldon
The Family Under the Bridge by Natalie Carlson
The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks
The Kid in the Red Jacket by Barbara Park
Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder
Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren

Sarah Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan
Shiloh by Reynolds Naylor
Tales of the Fourth Grade Nothing
Trumpet of the Swan
The Witch of Fourth Street

Suggested book titles 5th Grade:

Crenshaw by Katherine Applegate
When You Trap a Tiger by Tae Keller
Slacker by Gordon Korman
Shiloh by Phyllis Naylor
The Kite Fighters by Linda Park
Sideways stories from Wayside School by Louis Sachar

B. Choice Two – Battle of the Books

If you are an avid reader and really enjoy getting involved in the story line, you may take on the challenge of participating in the Battle of the Books for the 2022-23 academic year.

1) Select two or more books to read during the summer

- a. Choose books from the Battle of the Books list for 2022-23 (see below)

2) Write a report for each book to include the following

- a. On your first page, identify the books and author(s) you chose to read and order them from most favorite to least favorite.

b. Heading 1: Characters

- i. Write or type a list of character's names and their role (main character, band member, boy who is the main characters friend, etc)

ii. For example:

1. Jerry Clark - boy who is assigned to a foster family the same time as Buddy
2. Buddy Caldwell – main character
3. etc...list rest of characters in a similar fashion

c. Heading 2: Chapter Summaries

- i. Provide a summary of each chapter; include a heading for each summary (See sample below)

- ii. Summaries are written in complete sentences (preferred if it is typed – will help with working on keyboarding skills 😊)

- iii. In your summary, identify main ideas and supporting details. Make sure to use character's names. Usually, summaries are at least 3-4 sentences in length, but some can be longer. The summary gives you the general gist of the chapter and is not a rewrite of the chapter.

iv. For example:

1. **Chapter 3 Summary** (example)

Bud settles into the dark shed. He sees what looks like eyes on the doorknob. It turns out to be fish heads. He also sees a bat hanging from the rafters. Although the bat is sleeping, Bud is going to hit him with the rake. Another

Rule: *When you make up your mind to do something, hurry up and do it. If you wait you might talk yourself out of what you wanted in the first place.*

He swings the rake and to his surprise the bat is a hornet's nest, and the hornets are now attacking him. He escapes through the window.

2. **Chapter 6 Summary** (example)

Bud was going to the mission to get a free breakfast. When he got there the man in charge told him he was too late. A stranger stepped up and said, "Clarence, I told you to hurry." The man could see he was hungry so he and his wife pretended to be Bud's family so he could get something to eat.

3) Share and turn in your report

- a. At the beginning of school, be ready to share your report with the class or the Battle of the Books group.
- b. Turn in your report to your third, fourth, or fifth grade teacher for your first English grade.

About Battle of the Books

The Battle of the Books competition is usually held in March of the academic year. SCISA schools compete against each other to demonstrate their knowledge of the books they have read. The list of books SCISA uses for the elementary level is typically from the Medium 20 Book List, 5-6 grades. This list has not been posted by SCISA at this time, but prior lists came directly from the Medium 20 Book list, so we feel confident this will be the list. The list can be found by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.battleofthebooks.org/book-list/medium-20-book-list-5-6-grades-2022-23.php>

Here is a printed version of the book list. If the list changes prior to summer, we will let you know as quickly as possible. Students will also need to read additional books on the list throughout the school year. They do not have to read all twenty books, but we need to have at least one or more students who have read each of the listed books. We will meet with those students who are interested in participating in the Battle of the Books 2022-23 at the start of the 2022-23 academic year and schedule times to hold afterschool reading meetings to discuss books and prepare for the competition.

If you are interested in participating, please send an email to jfloyd@lowcountryprep.org so we can start compiling a list of members for the 2022-23 academic year.

Medium 20 Book List 5-6 Grades 2022-23

Author	Title
Barnhill, Kelly	The Girl Who Drank the Moon
Creech , Sharon	Ruby Holler
Curtis, Christopher P.	Bud, Not Buddy
DuPrau, Jeanne	City of Ember: The First Book of Ember
Gaiman, Neil	Fortunately, the Milk
Haddix, Margaret P	Found
Hannigan, Katherine	Ida B...and Her Plans to Maximize Fun...

Klise K. & Klise, M. Sarah	Regarding the Fountain: A Tale, in Letters...
LaFaye, A.	Worth
Law, Ingrid	Savvy
Lord, Cynthi	Rules
McSwigan, Marie	Snow Treasure
Morpurgo, Michael	War Horse
Nielsen, Jennifer A.	The False Prince
Paterson, Katherine	Bridge to Terabithia
Rawls, Wilson	Summer of the Monkeys
Rowling, JK	Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone
Ruckman, Ivy	Night of the Twisters
Stewart, Whitney	Who Was Walt Disney
Wrede, Patricia	Dealing With Dragons: The Enchanted Forest...