





# Summer Reading

## Rising 2nd Graders

Choose 3 books from the suggested list and have fun reading them over the summer. Be ready to take an AR Test on each book when you return to school in August.

Any of the following types of books:

I Can Read Book (Level 3)

Ready Readers (Stages 2 and 3)

Step Into Reading (Steps 2 and 3)

Ready to Read (Levels 2 and 3)

Hello Reader (Levels 2 and 3)

Road to Reading

Easy Reader

**You may also enjoy other books by these authors:**

Amelia Bedelia Books by Peggy Parrish

Arthur Chapter Books by Marc Brown

Nate the Great Series by Mitchell Sharmat

Pee Wee Scouts Series by Judy Delton

Junie B. Jones Series by Barbara Pack

Cam Jansen Series by David Adler

Horrible Harry Series by Suzy Kline

Harry and Mudge Series by Cynthia Rylant

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## Rising 3rd Graders

Choose at least 2 books from the suggested Reading List and have fun reading over the summer. Be ready to take an AR test on your book when you return to school in August!

Have a great summer and READ! READ! READ!

- Arthur Chapter Books: Marc Brown
- Clifford Books: Norman Bridwell
- Bailey School Kids Adventure Books: Debbie Dadey
- Amelia Bedelia Books: Peggy Parish
- Amber Brown Series: Paula Danziger
- Cam Jansen Books: David A. Adler
- Curious George Books: H.A. Rey
- Henry and Mudge Books: Cynthia Rylant
- Junie B. Jones Books: Barbara Park
- Magic Tree House Books: Mary Pope Osborne
  - Nate the Great Books: Sharmat
  - Pee Wee Scouts Books: Judy Delton
  - The Boxcar Children: Warner
- Buffalo Bill and the Pony Express: Coerr
  - Chang's Paper Pony: Coerr
- The Dog That Stole Home: Christopher
- Herbie Jones and the Birthday Showdown: Kline
  - Mary Marony Books: Kline
  - Twin Surprises: Pheffer
- Ramona Quimby: Beverly Cleary
- Henry Huggins: Beverly Cleary
- Muggie Maggie: Beverly Cleary
- Chrysanthemum: Kevin Henkes
- How to be Cool in the Third Grade: Betsy Duffey
  - Julian's Glorious Summer: Ann Cameron
- The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses: Paul Goble
- Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs: Judi Barrett
  - The Keeping Quilt: Patricia Polacco
- The Beast in Ms. Rooney's Room: Patricia Giff



# Summer Reading

## Rising 5th Grade

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## Rising 4<sup>th</sup> Graders

Dear Parents and Students,

Becoming a good reader is one of the most powerful tools to ensure success in academics and in life. Students who read are consistently better performers in the classroom. For this reason, the teachers at Williamsburg Academy have made it a top priority to stress READING throughout the SUMMER!

As always, you are the best judge of what is appropriate for your child. However, to assist you and your child in selecting books for Summer Reading, we have prepared a list of suggested books. The most important thing to remember is that learning is FUN! Books are wonderful companions. They can provide adventures, excitement, and moments of quiet joy.

Students are asked to read *at least three books* from the suggested list below or books that you, the parent, feel appropriate for your child. *Three* is a minimum! Students can read as many books as they want! Keep a log of the books read this summer. Include TITLE and AUTHOR only. No summary is required. Students should be prepared to take an AR test over *one* of their summer reading choices.

### Suggested Book List (these are all series) for Rising 4<sup>th</sup> Graders

Encyclopedia Brown

Donald J. Sobol

Animal Ark

Ben Baglio

Great Brain

John Fitzgerald

My Side of the Mountain

Jean C. George

Nancy Drew Mysteries

Carolyn Keene

Hardy Boy Mysteries

Franklin W. Dixon



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## Rising 5th Grade

Summer is a great time for your child to practice what he/she has learned throughout the school year. There is no better activity for your child than to engage in reading for enjoyment. Not only will your child discover the joy of being lost in a book, he/she will practice the many skills and strategies he/she has learned all year.

Numerous studies have shown that the best way for students to become better readers is to READ! Many times students return to school in the fall and are assessed far below their spring reading levels. This is most likely due to the fact that students are simply not spending time reading over the summer. Just 20 minutes a day can make a world of difference!

Students need to read at least two books from the suggested list below. No summary is required, but students should be prepared to take an AR test on both of their summer reading choices.

### Suggested Book List for Rising 5th Graders

*Bridge to Terabithia*

Katherine Paterson

*Summer of the Monkeys*

Wilson Rawls

*A Handful of Stars*

Cynthia Lord

*Worth*

A. LaFaye



## Rising 6th Graders

Read – *How To Stay Invisible* by Maggie C.

Rudd or “*Out of My Mind*” by Sharon Draper

Create a collage with 10 or more images representing the book along with 5 words or phrases.

- This will be your first grade to start the fall semester

## Rising 7<sup>th</sup> Graders

Read *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* by C.S.

Lewis

Write a journal entry from the point of view of your favorite character (at least 300 words).

- This will be your first grade to start the fall semester

## Rising 10<sup>th</sup> Graders

Read – *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

## Rising 8<sup>th</sup> Graders

*Divergent* by Veronica Roth

Write a manifesto for your own faction with values, a symbol, manifesto and initiation process.

- This will be your first grade to start the fall semester

## Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Graders

Read – *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak

Read – *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley

Write a journal entry from the point of view of your favorite character (at least 300 words).

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Read – *To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

Write a journal entry from the point of view  
of your favorite character (at least 300  
words).

- This will be your first grade to start the fall semester

## Rising 11<sup>th</sup> Graders

Read – *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxle

Write a journal entry from the point of view  
of your favorite character (at least 300  
words).

- This will be your first grade to start the fall semester

## Rising 12<sup>th</sup> Graders

*The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* by  
Stephen R. Covey

List the 7 principles and how you will apply  
each one to your daily life.

- This will be your first grade to start the fall semester  
for Life Skills