



## Recommended Reading for Summer Knights Fifth Grade

Attached you will find a list of recommended books for your summer reading. In an effort to introduce you to current titles, the majority of this list contains books that were recently published. You will find some standards and classics because oftentimes they are just too good to ignore! You can find a more detailed description of the books by accessing the catalog on the [Lower School Library](#) webpage. Click "Search Destiny." Once inside the catalog, click "Collections," and there you will find the reading lists grouped by grade.

Keep in mind that this list is merely a suggestion. You are free to read whatever it is that you like, but be sure to keep a record of your reading to turn in when school starts in the fall. If you want more personalized recommendations, feel free to contact Catherine Lampley at [catherine.lampley@paceacademy.org](mailto:catherine.lampley@paceacademy.org).

Each student should read at least **3** books.

Due to their use during the school year, please exclude from your summer reading the following:

*Fever, 1793* by Laurie Halse Anderson, *Bull Run*, by Paul Fleischman, *The Great Trouble: A Mystery of London*, *the Blue Death*, and *a Boy Called Eel*. *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, by C.S. Lewis, *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*, by Robert C. O'Brien, *Where the Red Fern Grows*, by Wilson Rawls, *The Cay*, by Theodore Taylor.

**Required Summer Reading:** *From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler* by E.L. Konigsburg

Miss Lampley would love to hear from you over the summer. Please send her a letter telling her about what you've been reading and why you did or didn't like the books. Including a picture of you reading while on summer break is encouraged. Letters can be mailed to:

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### **Fantasy**

Auxier, Jonathan. *Sweep*  
Anderson, M.T. *The Assassination of Brangwain Spurge*  
Evans, Lissa. *Wed Wabbit*  
Lupica, Mike. *Hero*  
Holyoke, Polly. *The Neptune Challenge*  
Krumwiede, Lana. *Freakling*  
Mbalia, Kwame. *Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky*  
Mass, Wendy. *Bob*  
Taylor, Thomas. *Malamander*

### **Biographies / Memoirs**

Ada, Alma. *Island Treasures: Growing Up in Cuba*  
Hoge, Robert. *Ugly*  
Jiang, Ji-Li. *Red Scarf Girl*  
Uhlberg, Myron. *The Sound of Silence: Growing Up with Deaf Parents*  
Weissman, Elissa Brent ed. *Our Story Begins: Your Favorite Authors and Illustrators Share Fun, Inspiring, and Occasionally Ridiculous Things They Wrote and Drew As Kids*  
Woodson, Jacqueline. *Brown Girl Dreaming*

### **Georgia Book Award Nominees**

Cartaya, Pablo. *Each Tiny Spark*  
Creech, Sharon. *Saving Winslow*  
DiCamillo, Kate. *Louisiana's Way Here*  
Draper, Sharon. *Blended*  
Gemeinhart, Dan. *The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise*  
Kelly, Lynne. *Song for a Whale*  
Korman, Gordon. *The Unteachables*  
Lackey, Lindsey. *All the Impossible Things*

Magoon, Kekla. *Season of Styx Malone*  
McDunn, Gillian. *Caterpillar Summer*  
Panteleakos, Nicole. *Planet Earth Is Blue*  
Rauf, Onjali. *The Boy at the Back of the Class*  
Roberts, Barbara Carroll. *Nikki on the Line*  
Savage, Melissa. *Lemons*  
Sloan, Holly Goldberg. *To Night Owl from Dogfish*  
Swender, Jennifer. *Solving for M*  
Venkatraman, Padma. *The Bridge Home*  
Watson, Renee. *Some Places More than Others*  
Williams, Alicia D. *Genesis Begins Again*

### **Ghost Stories**

Black, Holly. *Doll Bones*  
Brown, India Hill. *The Forgotten Girl*  
Heidicker, Christian McKay. *Scary Stories for Young Foxes*  
Kehret, Peg. *The Ghost's Grave*

### **Graphic Novels**

Andrews, Ryan. *This Was Our Pact*  
Brallier, Max. *Galactic Hot Dogs (series)*  
Broskol, Vera. *Be Prepared*  
Craft, Jerry. *New Kid*  
Meconis, Dylan. *Queen of the Sea*  
*Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales*  
Palacio, Patricia. *White Bird: A Wonder Story*

### **Historical Fiction**

Gratz, Alan. *Refugee*  
Kodahata, Cynthia. *A Place to Belong*  
Nielson, Jennifer A. *Resistance*

Nielson, Jennifer A. *Words on Fire*

### **ICGL Theme: Global Health**

Burg, Ann E. *Serafina's Promise: A Novel in Verse*  
Campbell, Susan. *Terrible Typhoid Mary: A True Story of the Deadliest Cook in America*  
Giff, Patricia Reilly. *Nory Ryan's Song*  
Hargrave, Kiran Millwood. *Island at the End of Everything*  
Hesse, Karen. *Letters from Rifka*  
Odhiambo, Eucabeth. *Auma's Long Run*

### **Poetry / Books in Verse**

Hood, Susan. *Lifeboat 12*  
Lai, Thannha. *Inside Out & Back Again*  
Shovan, Laura. *The Last Fifth Grade of Emerson Elementary*  
Warga, Jasmine. *Other Words from Home*

### **Realistic Fiction**

Lockington, Mariama. *For Black Girls Like Me*  
MacLachlan, Patricia. *Dream within a Dream*  
Keller, Tae. *The Science of Breakable Things*  
Lai, Remy. *Pie in the Sky*  
McAnulty, Stacy. *The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl*  
Peretti, Paola. *The Distance Between Me and the Cherry Tree*

### **Series**

Bosch, Pseudonymous. *Secret Series*  
Collins, Suzanne. *Underland Chronicles*  
Flanagan, John. *Ranger's Apprentice*  
Horowitz, Anthony. *Alex Rider Adventures*  
Patterson, James. *Treasure Hunters*