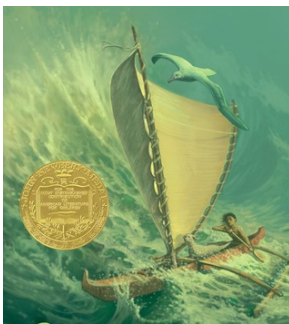




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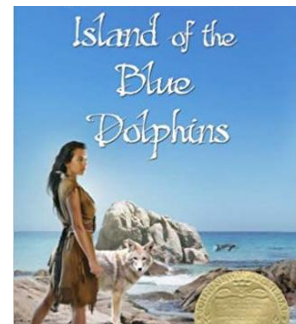
The following books are suggestions by the Fifth Grade Team to help your child prepare for the upcoming year. The incentive for summer reading in 5th grade is to instill the joy of reading in our students. **The goal is for each child to read at least 4 books, 2 required and 2 additional.** Happy reading!

### REQUIRED READING



***Call It Courage***  
by Armstrong Sperry

See the summer work packet  
for reading assignments!



***Island of the Blue Dolphins***  
(*Island of the Blue Dolphins* #1)  
by Scott O'Dell

#### **Chris Grabenstein**

Mr. Lemoncello's Library Series:

***Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*** (#1)

***Mr. Lemoncello's Library Olympics*** (#2)

***Mr. Lemoncello's Great Library Race*** (#3)

& 2 more!

#### **Gitty Daneshvari**

School of Fear Series:

***School of Fear*** (#1)

***Class is Not Dismissed!*** (#2)

***The Final Exam*** (#3)

#### **Carolyn Keene**

Nancy Drew Mystery Stories Series:

***The Secret of the Old Clock*** (#1)

***The Hidden Staircase*** (#2)

***The Bungalow Mystery*** (#3)

& 172 more!

#### **John Grisham**

Theodore Boone Series:

***Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer*** (#1)

***The Abduction*** (#2)

***The Accused*** (#3)

& 4 more!



### Robert C. O'Brien

Rats of NIMH Series:

**Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH** (#1)

**Racso and the Rats of NIMH** (#2)

**R-T, Margaret, and the Rats of NIMH** (#3)

### Lynne Reid Banks

The Indian in the Cupboard Series:

**The Indian in the Cupboard** (#1)

**The Return of the Indian** (#2)

**The Secret of the Indian** (#3)

& 2 more!

### Janet Bengé

Christian Heroes: Then & Now Series:

**Amy Carmichael: Rescuer of Precious Gems** (#4)

**Corrie Ten Boom: Keeper of the Angels' Den** (#5)

**Jim Elliot: One Great Purpose** (#9)

**C.S. Lewis: Master Storyteller** (#34)

& 41 more!

### Renée Watson

Ryan Hart Series:

**Ways to Make Sunshine** (#1)

**Ways to Grow Love** (#2)

### Robert Lawson

Rabbit Hill Series:

**Rabbit Hill** (#1)

**The Tough Winter** (#2)

### Katherine Applegate

The One and Only Ivan Series:

**The One and Only Ivan** (#1)

**The One and Only Bob** (#2)

### Marguerite Henry

Misty Series:

**Misty of Chincoteague** (#1)

**Sea Star: Orphan of Chincoteague** (#2)

**Stormy, Misty's Foal** (#3)

& 1 more!

### by S.D. Smith

The Green Ember Series:

**The Black Star of Kingston** (#0)

**The Green Ember** (#1)

**Ember Falls** (#2)

& 2 more!

### Jonathan Rogers

The Wilderking Trilogy:

**The Bark of the Bog Owl** (#1)

**The Secret of the Swamp King** (#2)

**The Way of the Wilderking** (#3)

### E. Nesbit

Five Children Series:

**The Psammead: or, the Gifts** (#0)

**Five Children and It** (#1)

**The Phoenix and the Carpet** (#2)

& 3 more!

### L. Frank Baum

Oz Series:

**The Wonderful Wizard of Oz** (#1)

**The Marvelous Land of Oz** (#2)

**Ozma of Oz** (#3)

& 11 more!

### Andrew Peterson

The Wingfeather Saga:

**On the Edge of the Dark Sea of Darkness** (#1)

**North! or Be Eaten** (#2)

**The Monster in the Hollows** (#3)

& 1 more!

### Rick Riordan

Percy Jackson and the Olympians Series:

**The Lightning Thief** (#1)

**The Sea of Monsters** (#2)

**The Titan's Curse** (#3)

& 2 more!



### Anthony Horowitz

Alex Rider Series:

**Stormbreaker** (#1)

**Point Blank** (#2)

**Skeleton Key** (#3)

& 33 more!

### Brian Jacques

Redwall Series:

**Redwall** (#1)

**Mossflower** (#2)

**Mattimeo** (#3)

& 23 more!

### Lloyd Alexander

The Chronicles of Prydain Series:

**The Book of Three** (#1)

**The Black Cauldron** (#2)

**The Castle of Llyr** (#3)

& 2 more!

### Lemony Snicket

A Series of Unfortunate Events:

**The Bad Beginning** (#1)

**The Reptile Room** (#2)

**The Wide Window** (#3)

& 10 more!

### Dan Gutman

Baseball Card Adventures Series:

**Honus & Me** (#1)

**Jackie & Me** (#2)

**Babe & Me** (#3)

& 9 more!

### Mike Lupica

**Summer Ball**

**The Batboy**

**Miracle on 49th Street**

**Two-Minute Drill**

**Safe at Home**

& 78 more!

### Carol Ryrie Brink

Caddie Woodlawn Series:

**Caddie Woodlawn** (#1)

**Caddie Woodlawn's Family** (#2)

### Laura Ingalls Wilder

Little House Series:

**Little House in the Big Woods** (#1)

**Farmer Boy** (#2)

**Little House on the Prairie** (#3)

& 6 more!

### Eleanor Estes

The Moffats Series:

**The Moffats** (#1)

**The Middle Moffat** (#2)

**Rufus M.** (#3)

& 1 more!

The Pyes Series:

**Ginger Pye** (#1)

**Pinky Pye** (#2)

### Astrid Lindgren

Barnen i Bullerbyn Series:

**The Children of Noisy Village** (#1)

**Happy Times in Noisy Village** (#2)

**Nothing But Fun in Noisy Village** (#3)

& 3 more!

Pippi Långstrump Series:

**Pippi Longstocking** (#1)

**Pippi Goes on Board** (#2)

**Pippi in the South Seas** (#3)

### Sydney Taylor

All-of-a-Kind Family Series:

**All-of-a-Kind Family** (#1)

**All-of-a-Kind Family Downtown** (#2)

**More All-of-a-Kind Family** (#3)

& 2 more!



### **Maud Hart Lovelace**

Betsy-Tacy Series:

**Betsy-Tacy** (#1)

**Betsy-Tacy and Tib** (#2)

**Betsy and Tacy Go Over the Big Hill** (#3)

& 7 more!

### **John D. Fitzgerald**

The Great Brain Series:

**The Great Brain** (#1)

**More Adventures of the Great Brain** (#2)

**Me and My Little Brain** (#3)

& 5 more!

### **Beverly Cleary**

Ramona Quimby Series:

**Beezus and Ramona** (#1)

**Ramona the Pest** (#2)

**Ramona the Brave** (#3)

& 5 more!

Ralph S. Mouse Series:

**The Mouse and the Motorcycle** (#1)

**Runaway Ralph** (#2)

**Ralph S. Mouse** (#3)

### **Stuart Gibbs**

Spy School Series:

**Spy School** (#1)

**Spy Camp** (#2)

**Evil Spy School** (#3)

& 6 more!

### **Jeanne Birdsall**

The Penderwicks Series:

**The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy** (#1)

**The Penderwicks on Gardam Street** (#2)

**The Penderwicks at Point Mouette** (#3)

& 2 more!

### **Heather Vogel Frederick**

The Mother-Daughter Book Club Series:

**The Mother-Daughter Book Club** (#1)

**Much Ado About Anne** (#2)

**Dear Pen Pal** (#3)

& 4 more!

### **Phyllis Reynolds Naylor**

Shiloh Series:

**Shiloh** (#1)

**Shiloh Season** (#2)

**Saving Shiloh** (#3)

& 1 more!

### **Fred Gipson**

Old Yeller Series:

**Old Yeller** (#1)

**Savage Sam** (#2)

**Little Arliss** (#3)

### **James Patterson**

Maximum Ride Series:

**The Angel Experiment** (#1)

**School's Out—Forever** (#2)

**Saving the World and Other Extreme Sports** (#3)

& 7 more!

### **Karina Yan Glaser**

The Vanderbeekers Series:

**The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street** (#1)

**The Vanderbeekers and the Hidden Garden** (#2)

**The Vanderbeekers to the Rescue** (#3)

& 2 more!



### Other Great Books

***Miss Hickory*** by Carolyn Sherwin Bailey

***Baby Island*** by Carol Ryrie Brink

***The Secret Garden*** by Frances Hodgson Burnett

***Ben and Me: An Astonishing Life of Benjamin Franklin by His Good Mouse***

***Amos*** by Robert Lawson

***The Matchlock Gun*** by Walter D. Edmonds

***The Cabin Faced West*** by Jean Fritz

***A Lion to Guard Us*** by Clyde Robert Bulla

***Phoebe the Spy*** by Judith Berry Griffin

***Toliver's Secret*** by Esther Wood Brady

***The Sign of the Beaver*** by Elizabeth George Speare

***Miracles on Maple Hill*** by Virginia Sorensen

***Frindle*** by Andrew Clements, Brian Selznick

***The Summer of the Swans*** by Betsy Byars

***Maniac Magee*** by Jerry Spinelli

***The Great Gilly Hopkins*** by Katherine Paterson

***Fish in a Tree*** by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

***Strawberry Girl*** by Lois Lenski

***Twig*** by Elizabeth Orton Jones

***Walking with Miss Millie*** by Tamara Bundy

***Babe: The Gallant Pig*** by Dick King-Smith

***Souder*** by William H. Armstrong

***The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane***

by Kate DiCamillo

***Mr. Revere and I: Being an Account of certain Episodes in the Career of Paul Revere, Esq. as Revealed by his Horse*** by Robert Lawson

***Restart*** by Gordon Korman

***Every Thing on It*** by Shel Silverstein

***A Child's Anthology of Poetry*** by Elizabeth Hauge Sword, Victoria Fournoy McCarthy

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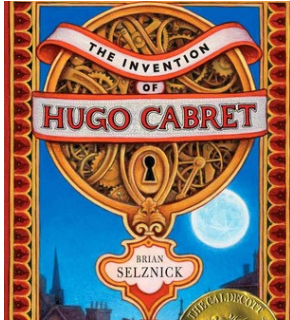


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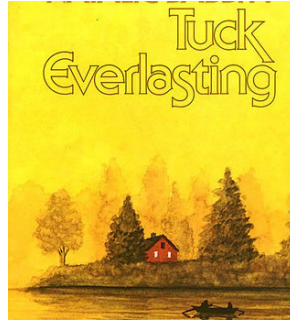




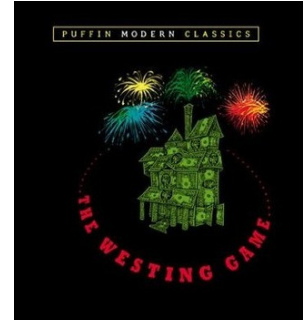
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***The Invention of Hugo Cabret***  
by Brian Selznick



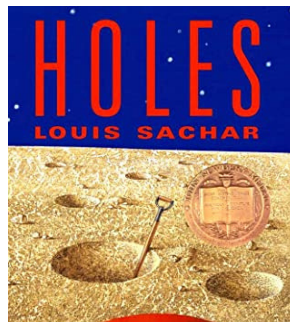
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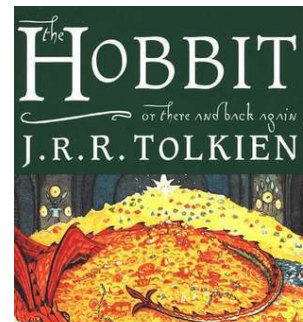
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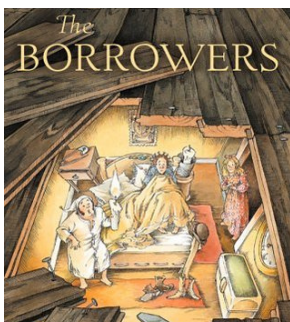
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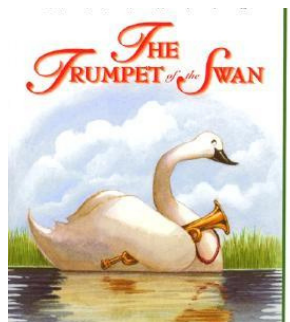
***Holes***  
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by Louis Sachar



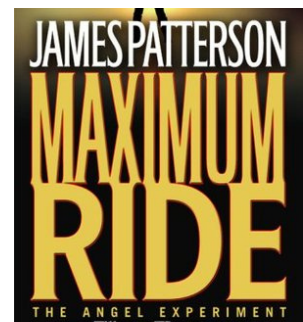
***The Hobbit, or There and Back Again***  
by J.R.R. Tolkien



***The Borrowers***  
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by Mary Norton



***The Trumpet of the Swan***  
by E.B. White

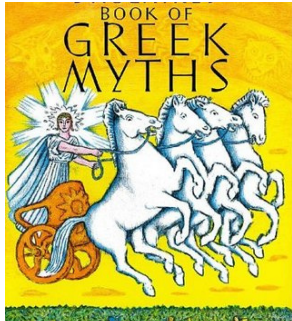


***The Angel Experiment***  
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by James Patterson



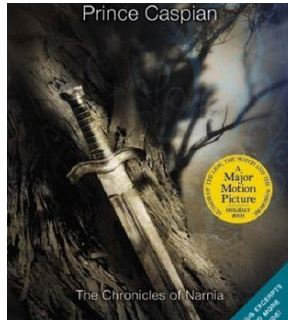
## BOOKS WE WILL READ TOGETHER THIS YEAR

These titles should be avoided for summer reading, as they will be delivered with textbooks and read during the school year. We look forward to reading these together this year!



***D'Aulaires' Book of  
Greek Myths***

by Ingri d'Aulaire, Edgar  
Parin d'Aulaire



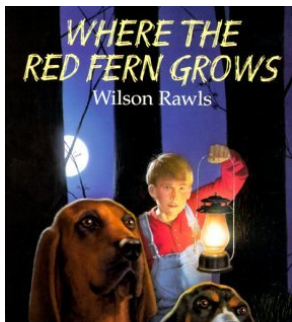
***Prince Caspian***

(*The Chronicles of Narnia* #4)  
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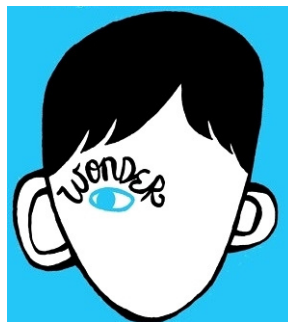
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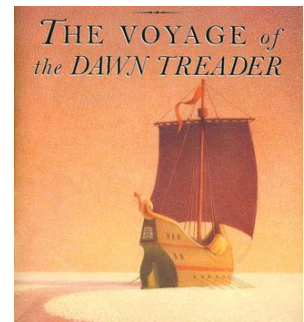
***Where the Red Fern Grows***

by Wilson Rawls



***Wonder***

(*Wonder* #1)  
by R.J. Palacio



***The Voyage of the Dawn  
Treader***

(*The Chronicles of Narnia* #5)  
by C.S. Lewis

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