

# Entering 5th grade in 2023-2024

## Summer recommendations

Futurs CM2 / incoming 5th graders for 23/24 school year

Vacation is a time to relax and discover new things. However, we recommend carving out a small amount of time for some summer practice in order to continue cultivating knowledge and skills.

### French

#### LISTENING

Here is a list of podcasts for children :

- [Les p'tits bateaux](#) : Every Sunday at 7:30 pm on **France Inter**, children ask questions such as *When does the sun set? What happens when you cut a worm in half?*, and on . Historians and scientists use their expertises to respond to the children's questions.

- [Oli des histoires audio](#) :

On **France Inter**, a series of French stories for children narrated by French Authors.

-[Encore une histoire](#)

Listen to books/stories (podcast)

-[Les Odyssées](#)

More stories about Worldwide events or important People.

- [Les fictions Jeunesse](#)

On **France Culture**, stories are not only for adults, but for children as well! Especially stories by the best authors, like Fabrice Melquiot and Marie Desplechin.

-[Un jour une actu](#)

Shorts videos responding to a question asked by a child.

-[C'est pas sorcier](#)

Longer videos (30 min) about Science and History.

#### READING

Students should keep reading both in English and French during the summer.

**We lend a book to each student for them to read.** They can also read whatever books they want.

Here are some websites where you can find texts in French.

[Short édition jeunesse](#)

Short stories for young readers.

[Littérature jeunesse libre](#)

An online library that gives access to a lot of children's books for free.

## [FNAC](#)

This page provides several children's books to download in the ePUB format.

## [Livres pour tous](#)

Thousands of books to read for free. Mainly classics.

## WRITING

**a. You may want to purchase vacation workbooks (“Cahiers de vacances”) to continue practicing their skills.** They exist for each grade level and offer activities in Math and French - Reading , Spelling, Writing exercises and answer sheets.

**Please choose “Du CM1 au CM2” (4th to 5th grade)**

Several publishers (Hachette Education, Nathan, Hatier, Bordas) offer vacation workbooks and any of them is fine as they all follow the French curriculum.

Hachette Education [here](#).

B. Encourage writing activities such as writing a postcard, a diary twice or three times a week, emails, etc

**Teachers would love to receive an email during the summer:**

In French : Mme Jadec ([bjadec@fasri.org](mailto:bjadec@fasri.org)) - M. Pruvost ([bpruvost@fasri.org](mailto:bpruvost@fasri.org))

In English : Ms Perry ([rperry@fasri.org](mailto:rperry@fasri.org))

## Math

-[Calcul@TICE](#) (Math in French)

- [IXL](#) (Math in English). Use your student school credentials.

## French Apps

[Bayam](#), is offering a lot of its content in a free version.

[Whisperies](#) offers many books in English and in French (you have to change the language in settings).

## Watching French movies

[Benshi](#) is a streaming platform that offers movies for children in French.

On Netflix :

You can search "French-Language" in the children section.

On Youtube :

[Les aventures de Tom Sawyer](#) (episodes)

[Les aventures de Tintin](#) (episodes)

[Ariol](#) (episodes)

[Tom-Tom et Nana](#) (episodes)

Enjoy the summer!