

CEREAL BOX

BOOK REPORT



2026-2027 Summer Reading Assignment

Mother Seton School
Incoming 5th Grader

Overview

The purpose of summer reading requirements is to support the continued development of vocabulary and reading strategies throughout the summer.

Guidelines

- Summer reading is a required assignment.
- Students must read 1 book from the provided reading list.
- Students must complete the Cereal Box assignment for their chosen book.
- The signed form documenting completion of summer reading should be turned in to the teacher on the first day of school, as well as the Cereal Box assignment.

Book List: Choose 1 Book

- Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing
- Because of Winn Dixie
- Frindle
- The Big Friendly Giant
- Where the Mountain Meets the Moon

Please return this form to your teacher on your first day back to school, as well as your Cereal Box Assignment.

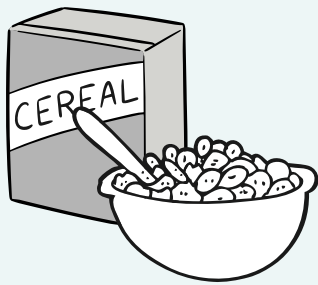
Name: _____

Please list the book you read to complete your summer reading assignment:

Book: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____



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Students will decorate a real cereal box with the illustrations and information related to the book they read, using the directions below. I expect all directions to be followed and completed fully. A copy of the rubric that will be used to grade the book report has been attached.

FRONT OF BOX: Use a piece of white or light colored paper to cover the front of your cereal box. (You will probably want to create the cover before gluing it on your box.) Include the name of the cereal and a picture. Invent a name for the cereal that is related to the title of the book and sounds like a cereal. Do not use the exact title of the book. Choose a shape for the cereal, as well as colors and ingredients that all relate to the book. For example, for Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, you might invent a cereal called Wizard Wands, a toasted oat cereal in the shape of miniature lightning bolts.

RIGHT SIDE: Make a list of ingredients that includes the story elements, CHARACTERS, and SETTING. Under the heading "Ingredients", list the main characters and write a sentence about each one. Next, describe the setting of the novel. You can use the template provided or cover the side with white/light colored paper and create your own template.

LEFT SIDE: Choose at least five important words from your book and write them down. Include the correct spelling, part of speech, definition, and a sentence using the word. You can use the template provided or cover the side with white/light colored paper and create your own template.

BACK OF BOX: Write a summary that describes the main problem and how the problem was solved. Try to use words that will grab the reader's attention and make them want to buy your cereal.

TOP OF BOX: Include your name, the title, author, number of pages, and number of stars you would give this book if you were a book critic. The maximum number of stars would be 5. Use the template on the attached sheet.

PRIZE: Cereal boxes often include a prize. Your prize must be something related to the topic of your book. You can even include a picture of the prize on the front of your box to let the reader know what is inside the box.

LEFT SIDE OF THE BOX

GLOSSARY

Choose 5 important words from your book and write them down. Include the correct spelling, part of speech, the definition, and a sentence using the word. See example below:

EXAMPLE

Word #1: Tragic
Part of Speech: Adjective
Definition: Very sad, dreadful, unfortunate.
Sentence: The death of the main characters pet toad was tragic.

CUT & PASTE

Left side of the box- cut out the glossary and paste it on the left side of your cereal box once it is filled in.

Glossary

Word #1: _____
Part of Speech: _____
Definition: _____
Sentence: _____

Word #2: _____
Part of Speech: _____
Definition: _____
Sentence: _____

Word #3: _____
Part of Speech: _____
Definition: _____
Sentence: _____

Word #4: _____
Part of Speech: _____
Definition: _____
Sentence: _____

Word #5: _____
Part of Speech: _____
Definition: _____
Sentence: _____

BACK OF THE BOX:

Cut out the box below and place it on the back side of the box. Write a summary that describes the main problem and how the problem was solved. Try to use words that will grab the readers attention and make them want to buy your cereal.

Summary:

TOP OF THE BOX:

Cut out the box below and place it on the top of the cereal box.

Title of Book:_____

Author:_____# of Pages:_____

Rating:     

RIGHT SIDE OF THE BOX

Cut out this side panel and paste it on the right side of the cereal box once it is filled in

CHARACTERS

List the main characters and write a sentence about each one. For example, if you were using the story “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory,” you might include the following characters:

Charlie Bucket: *He is a poor boy who finds the last golden ticket and wins a trip to Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory.*

Willy Wonka: He is the lively owner of the chocolate factory who allows six children and a member of their family to spend a day at his magical factory.

SETTING

Use complete sentences to tell where the story takes place. You may find that there is more than one setting in the story. For example, if you were using “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory,” you might write:

The beginning of the story takes place at Charlie Buckets small house that he shares with his large family. Once Charlie finds the gold ticket and wins the contest, the rest of the story takes place at the chocolate factory.

Ingredients

Characters

[illegible]

Setting

[illegible]

GRADING RUBRIC

	Points earned	Points possible
Book was read by the specific due date and the project was turned in in a timely manner.		10
Cereal Box is neat, colorful, and attractive.		15
The front and top of the box is complete and thoughtfully done. The top includes the title of the book, the author's name, and your name. The front includes the name of the cereal (related to the book) and an original illustration.		15
The back of the box is complete and thoughtfully done.		20
The left side of the box is complete and accurate.		15
The right side of the box is complete and accurate.		15
Spelling, punctuation, and grammar are correct.		10
Total:		100