



Bayonne Public Schools

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Summer Literacy Program: Building Bridges to Success Language Arts Assignment for Students Entering Grade 5

Directions: Below you will find the recommended assignment for students entering grade five in September. Please select and read any books of your choice, then select **three** activities from the choice board to complete. All assignments are due to your English Language Arts teacher no later than **September 10, 2026**.

- Up to **10 points** can be earned for completing the choice board and applied to an ELA test grade in trimester 1.
- Kindly note, that this information will be posted on the Bayonne Board of Education website, www.bboed.org.

Summer Reading Response Choice Board

Point of View	Theme	Alternate Ending
<p>Select one character in your book, and write about a challenge he or she faced and how it was solved.</p> <p>(2 paragraph minimum)</p>	<p>What is the theme, or central message, the author is trying to convey? Write a paragraph clearly stating the theme and support it with at least 3 pieces of text evidence to support your response.</p>	<p>What event might have changed how the story ended? Change at least <u>one</u> key event to write an alternate ending to the story.</p> <p>(2 or more paragraphs)</p>
<p>Text-to-Self Connection</p> <p>What event or character can you best relate to from this story and why? Write 2 (or more) paragraphs explaining how you and the character are alike. Make sure to use evidence when writing your response.</p>	<p>Character Analysis</p> <p>Select 2 characters in your book. Write 2 (or more) paragraphs that describe how they are alike and different. Be sure to use specific examples from the story to support your ideas.</p>	<p>Comic Strip</p> <p>Create a comic strip that retells the story in your own words. Be sure to include the main characters, setting, and important events from the beginning, middle & end.</p>
<p>Story Elements</p> <p>Create a <u>new</u> book cover for the book you read. Be sure to include the title, author, illustrator, and a picture showing the main character and setting.</p>	<p>Poetry</p> <p>Write a poem that describes a character, setting, or a main event in the novel. The poem should be ten or more lines and should rhyme.</p>	<p>Vocabulary</p> <p>Select 5 or more unfamiliar words from your novel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● write the definition ● write the word in a sentence ● write a synonym ● draw a picture representing the word

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