

# \*First Grade Summer Reading\*



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First grade readers have varied interests and abilities. Below is a suggested list of authors along with some chapter book suggestions that might peak your child's interest over the summer. Feel free to explore the library or bookstore to find additional authors and books that your child might enjoy. Most importantly, make reading fun!

## Suggested Authors

- \*Eric Carle
- \*Dr. Seuss
- \*Kevin Henkes
- \*Marc Brown
- \*Laura Numeroff
- \*Lois Ehlert
- \*Gail Gibbons
- \*Mo Willems
- \*Eric Litwin
- \*Arnold Lobel
- \*Cynthia Rylant

## Suggested Series/Chapter Books

- \*Ready-to-Read Books (such as Henry and Mudge)
- \*I Can Read! (such as the Biscuit books)
- \*National Geographic Kids Leveled Readers
- \*Young Cam Jansen by David Adler
- \*Iris and Walter by Elissa Haden Guest
- \*Nate the Great by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
- \*Froggy by Jonathan London
- \*Magic Tree House by Mary Pope Osborne
- \*Junie B. Jones by Barbara Park





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## Second Grade Summer Reading List

If you like **funny books**, you'll love:

- [The Bad Guys #1](#) by Aaron Blabey
- [Bad Kitty](#) by Nick Bruel
- [Bird and Squirrel on Ice](#) by James Burks
- [Captain Underpants](#) by Dav Pilkey
- [Mercy Watson](#) by Kate DiCamillo

If you like **mythical creatures**, you'll love:

- [Dragons and Marshmallows: Zoey and Sassasfras](#) by Asia Citro
- [Rise of the Earth Dragons](#) by Tracey West
- [Magical Animal Adoption Agency](#) by Kallie George
- [My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish](#) by Mo O'Hara\*\*
- [Dragon Slayer's Academy](#) by Kate McMullan
- [Rainbow Magic Fairies](#) by Daisy Meadows

If you like **adventure stories**, you'll love:

- [Zita the Spacegirl](#) by Ben Hatke
- [Magic Tree House](#) by Mary Pope Osborne
- [Galaxy Zack](#) by Ray O'Ryan
- [The Notebook of Doom](#) by Troy Cummings
- [Rescue on the Oregon Trail](#) by Kate Messner

If you love **realistic** stories, you'll like:

- [Heartwood Hotel](#) by Kallie George
- [Pug Pals Two's a Crowd](#) by Flora Ahn
- [Stink](#) by Megan McDonald
- [Noodle: The Puppy Place](#) by Ellen Miles
- [Lulu and the Rabbit Next Door](#) by Hilary McKay

Do you want to know if a book is at your child's reading level? Since these books are on Amazon, search to preview the book. Ask your child to read ONE full page of text. If he/she misses between 1 - 5 words, the book is JUST RIGHT, meaning it's at his/her comprehension level. 0 is too easy, which is fine, but not all the time. Over 5 words means the book is too challenging!



**2018-2019 Recommended Summer Reading for Grade 3 Students**

**Please make sure that all book choices are JUST RIGHT for you as a reader!**

**Suggested Titles:**

- Horrible Harry, by Suzy Kline
- Chocolate Fever, by Robert Kimmel Smith
- Shiloh, by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
- Invisible Lines, by Mary Amato
- Because of Mr. Terupt, by Rob Buyea
- A Week in the Woods, by Andrew Clements
- Where the Mountain Meets the Moon, by Grace Lin
- The Candy Shop War, by Brandon Mull
- Magic Tree House series, by Mary Pope Osborne
- A to Z Mysteries series, by Ron Roy
- The Time Warp Trio series, Jon Scieszka

**Suggested Authors:**

- Judy Blume
- Matt Christopher
- Beverly Cleary
- Andrew Clements
- Jean Craighead George
- Roald Dahl
- Kate DiCamillo
- Laura Ingalls Wilder
- Megan McDonald
- James Patterson (for kids)
- Patricia Polacco
- Jon Scieszka
- Jerry Spinelli
- Janet Tashjian
- Raina Telgemeier

## 4th Grade Summer Reading List 2018-2019

These are recommended summer reading books for students entering 4th grade. Please make sure that any books that you pick from this list are JUST RIGHT for you as a reader.

Be prepared to discuss your summer reading(s) in class.



### (REALISTIC) FICTION

- Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
- Flora and Ulysses by Kate DiCamillo
- Gaby, Lost and Found by Angela Cervantes
- Ramona Quimby, Age 8 by Beverly Cleary
- Beezus and Ramona by Beverly Cleary
- Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies

### FANTASY/ADVENTURE

- Miss Ellicott's School for the Magically Minded by Sage Blackwood
- Crenshaw by Katherine Applegate
- James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl
- A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle
- "Half Upon a Time" Series by James Riley
- Any of the "Magic Tree House" Series by Mary Pope Osbourne

### HUMOR

- Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume
- Freckle Juice by Judy Blume
- The Croc Ate My Homework by Stephan Pastis (Graphic Novel Series)
- My Fox Ate My Homework by David Blaze
- Sideways Stories From Wayside School by Louis Sachar

### NON FICTION/HISTORICAL FICTION

- The Boy Who Invented TV by Kathleen Krull
- Can We Save The Tiger? by Martin Jenkins
- Any of the "Who Is/Was..." Series (various authors)
- "The Story of Exploration" by Anna Claybourne
- "The Story of Inventions" by Anna Claybourne
- Any of the "I Survived" Series by Lauren Tarshis

### SPORTS

- Comeback Kids: Hot Hand by Mike Lupica
- Two Minute Drill by Mike Lupica
- Who is Derek Jeter? by Gail Herman & Andrew Thomson
- Any of the "Amazing Athletes" Series (various authors)
- Any of the "Ballpark Mysteries" Series by David A. Kelly
- Any books by Matt Christopher

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*Choose at least one fiction and one non-fiction book to enjoy this summer. Check to see if the book is at your just right level by using the five finger test. Choose a random full page to read from a book you're interested in. Begin reading and put one finger up each time you come to a word you do not know. 1-5 Fingers up means it's just right. Zero means it is too easy, which is fine, but not all the time. More than five missed words is too challenging. The books listed here are just suggestions; choose books that make you happy. Enjoy your summer and see you in September!*

If you like **fantasy**, you'll love:

- *Ophelia and the Marvelous Boy* by Karen Foxlee
- *The Endling* by Katherine Applegate
- *Five Kingdoms* series by Brandon Mull
- *In a Glass Grimmly* by Adam Gidwitz
- *Nightmares!* (series) by Jason Segel and Kirsten Miller
- *The Secret Zoo* by Bryan Chick
- *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle

If you like **animal adventures**, you'll love:

- *The Last Dogs* by Christopher Holt
- *Warriors* by Erin Hunter
- *Mouseheart* by Lisa Fiedler
- *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate
- *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH* by Robert C. O'Brien

If you like **adventures**, you'll love

- Masterminds by Gordon Korman
- Stranded by Jeff Probst and Chris Tebbetts
- Spy School by Stuart Gibbs
- The Cloak Society by Jeramey Kraatz
- Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein

If you like **mysteries**, you'll love:

- Space Case by Stuart Gibbs
- Isabel Feeney, Star Reporter by Beth Fantaskey
- Framed! A T.O.A.S.T. Mystery by James Ponti
- Warren the 13th and The All-Seeing Eye by Tania Del Rio
- Nooks and Crannies by Jessica Lawson

If you like **realistic fiction**, try reading:

- All Four Stars by Tara Dairman
- See You in the Cosmos by Jack Cheng
- El Deafo by Cece Bell (graphic novel)
- The Penderwicks by Jeanne Birdsall
- Science of Breakable Things by Tae Keller
- Kristy's Great Idea Babysitter's Club by Ann M. Martin, illustrated by Raina Telgemeier (graphic novel)
- Smile, Drama, & Sisters by Raina Telgemeier (graphic novels)
- Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko

If you like **funny**, you'll laugh your way through these books:

- Origami Yoda (series) by Tom Angleberger
- Unicorn on a Roll by Dana Simpson (graphic novel)
- Anyone But Ivy Pocket by Caleb Krisp
- Vordak the Incomprehensible by Vordak T. Incomprehensible
- Plants vs. Zombies by Paul Tobin and Ron Chan
- The Worst Class Trip Ever by Dave Barry

What about **NONFICTION**? Here are some great choices:

- Two Truths and a Lie by Ammi-Joan Paquette and Laurie Ann Thompson, illustrated by Lisa K. Weber
- National Geographic Kids Almanac 2018
- The Thrifty Guide to Ancient Rome by Jonathan Stokes
- Who is? or Who Was? series for children by various authors
- Hidden Figures Young Readers Edition by Margot Lee Shetterly
- The Kid Who Invented the Popsicle: And Other Surprising Stories About Inventions by Don L. Wulffson



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## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading List

This summer, please read The Cay by Theodore Taylor. This exciting adventure finds the main character Phillip in the uncomfortable position of being cared for by an elderly stranger. Their relationship and the issue of racism are at the center of this wonderful story.

Additionally, please read a biography of your choice. Biography is my favorite genre. I love reading about real people who've made amazing contributions to the world, or have overcome tremendous obstacles and inspired others. I can't wait to hear who inspires you!

See you in September!

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading/ELA Teacher

Mr. Berger  
English: 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

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**2018-2019**  
**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading**

Over your summer break you are required to read the book *Tangerine* by Edward Bloor. This is a book that addresses issues of sportsmanship, friendship, bullying, and family. The reader is brought to Tangerine County, Florida, where strange things happen and nature keeps interfering with well-laid plans. The main character, Paul, has to cope with his blindness, which has never been explained well by his parents. *Tangerine* is a compelling read with exciting scenes on the soccer fields and citrus fields.

See you next year. Happy reading.

Mr. Berger



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Reading: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

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**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading**

Over your summer break you are required to read *The Wave* by Todd Strasser. This is a book that addresses the rise of Nazism in Germany during the 1920s and 1930s. A social studies teacher named Ben Ross, teaching this unit to a group of high school students, has difficulty communicating the idea of how the common Germans became infatuated with the idea of Nazism. How could a man like Adolf Hitler rise to power and do all the things he did? In an attempt to answer the question, Ben Ross tries a radical experiment.

See you next year. Happy reading.

Mr. Berger