

## ***5th Grade Summer Reading***

Dear Families,

I hope that everyone is staying healthy and happy and that you've had a great time in fourth grade this year! I am excited to meet you all in the fall and for us to have a great year in fifth grade. As you know, each summer it is very important to read! This summer is no different. Attached please find the summer reading list and assignments for this summer!

Each student must read 3 books over the summer. All students will read one required book and then choose 2 additional books from the list provided below. You are required to fill out a story map for all 3 books that you read, including the required book. You will have a total of 3 story maps.

In addition, choose the book that you like best and complete one of the projects listed below. You only have to do the project for one of the books that you read. The project has two parts. For part one, choose a writing piece from one of the boxes below. For part two, design a book cover based on the book that you choose!

You are encouraged to read more than 3 books if you would like!

### **Required Book:**

**Title: The Tiger Rising**

**Author: Kate DiCamillo**

There will be a test on the required book at the beginning of the school year!

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. My email is [czaneski8656@olhamptons.org](mailto:czaneski8656@olhamptons.org).

Ms. Zaneski

**Pace yourself! Have fun!**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Letter to a Character</b></p> <p>Write a letter to any character in your book. You can offer him or her advice, ask questions, or share your reaction to the events that occurred.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This letter should be one page!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>A Simple Summary</b></p> <p>After reading your book, create your own summary to make someone who has not read the book understand what happened. Be sure to include the 5 Ws: Who? What? When? Where? Why?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This summary should be one page!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Interview with a Character</b></p> <p>You have the chance to ask any questions to any character involved in your book. Create an interview that you could conduct, and provide the answers you think the character might give.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This interview should consist of 8-10 questions and responses!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Song or Rap</b></p> <p>Create a song or rap with lyrics that summarize a scene/event in your book. Be sure to include the 5 Ws: Who? What? When? Where? Why?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This song or rap should include 6 or more stanzas!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Article for the School Newspaper</b></p> <p>You are acting as a reporter for the school newspaper. Create a report that summarizes an important scene/event in your book. Be sure to include the 5 Ws: Who? What? When? Where? Why?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This article should be one page!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>You Be the Person</b></p> <p>If you could switch places with any character in your book, who would it be? Explain your choice, and describe what you would have done if you were in their position.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This answer should be one page!</p>

## Book Jacket

### Front Cover

- For your cover design, draw a picture or illustration that relates to the book.
- Include the book title, author's name, and illustrator's name (your name).
- The cover that you draw should be different than the cover that is already on the book!  
You can base it on an important scene from the book or your favorite part of the book!

### Back Cover

- Write a brief summary for the book that includes: Who? What? When? Where? Why?
- Include information about the author (other books written, awards received) written in your own words!
- Include information about the illustrator (you) in a brief autobiography!
- Be colorful and creative!

Genre	Title and Author
Realistic Fiction (humorous)	Anastasia Krupnik by Lois Lowry (series) Beatles, Lightly Toasted by Phyllis R. Naylor Chocolate Fever by Robert K Smith Henry Huggings by Beverly Cleary (series) How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus by Dusti Bowling (series) No Talking by Andrew Clements Short by Holly Goldberg Sloan
Realistic Fiction	Comeback Kids by Mike Lupica (series) Travel Team by Mike Lupica Baby by Patricia MacLachlan Cornelia and the Audacious Escapades of the Somerset Sisters by Lesley Blume Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls Crossover by Kwame Alexander (series) Flush by Carl Hiassen The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes Mandy by Julie Edwards Lily's Crossing by Patricia Reilly Giff Dog Lost by Ingrid Lee The Million Dollar Putt by Dan Gutman Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary Frindle by Andrew Clements Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech Tortilla Sun by Jennifer Cervantes Missing May by Cynthia Rylant The Saturdays by Elizabeth Enright (series)
Action/ Adventure/ Survival	Far North by Will Hobbs How to Train Your Dragon by Cressida Cowell (series) Journey Into Terror by Bill Wallace My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George (series) Peak by Roland Smith (series) Princess Academy by Shannon Hale (series) Hatchet by Gary Paulsen The Ranger's Apprentice by John Flanagan (series) A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket (series) Wonderstruck by Brian Selznick
Mystery	Hardy Boys by Franklin W. Dixon (series) Loot by Jude Watson (series) Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein (series) The Mysterious Benedict Society By Trenton Lee Stewart (series) Nancy Drew by Carolyn Keene (series)

	<p>Dead End by Jack Gantos  Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett  Red Blazer Girls by Michael D. Beil (series)</p>
Animal (fantasy or adventure)	<p>Babe, the Gallant Pig by Dick King Smith  Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo  A Dog called Homeless by Sarah Lean  Gentle Ben by Walt Morey  The Incredible Journey by Sheila Burnford  Ginger Pye by Eleanor Estes  Kavik the Wolf Dog by Walt Morey  Misty of Chincoteague by Marguerite Henry  Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH by Robert C. O'Brien  Nathanial Fludd, Beastologist by R.L. LaFevers (series)  Stone Fox by John Reynolds Gardiner  The Music of Dolphins by Karen Hesse  The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo  The Trumpet of the Swan by E.B. White  The Wild Robot by Peter Brown (series)</p>
Fantasy	<p>All the Answers by Kate Messner  The BFG by Roald Dahl  The Castle in the Attic by Elizabeth Winthrop (series)  Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt  Eragon by Christopher Paolini  Floors by Patrick Carmen (series)  Half Magic by Edward Eager (series)  Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling (series)  Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks (series)  Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll  The Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis (series)  Percy Jackson and the Olympians by Rick Riordan (series)  The Heroes of Olympus by Rick Riordan (series)  The Borrowers by Mary Norton  The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles by Julie Edwards  The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan (series)  The Magic Half by Annie Barrows (series)  The Magic Keepers by Erica Kirov (series)  The Magic Thief by Sarah Prineas (series)  The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster  Sisters Grimm by Michael Buckley (series)  Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Patterson  Flora &amp; Ulysses by Kate DiCamillo  Tail of Emily Windsnap by Liz Kessler (series)  The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum (series)  Tuesdays at the Castle by Jessica George (series)</p>

<p>Historical Fiction</p>	<p>The Birchbark House by Louise Edrich  Blood on the River: James Town, 1607 by Elisa Carbone  Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis  Caddie Woodlawn by Carol Ryrie Brink  Dear America by various authors (series)  The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick  Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell  Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingells Wilder (series)  The Railway Children by Edith Nesbit  Number the Stars by Lois Lowry  Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor  The Cay by Theodore Taylor  I Survived by Lauren Tarshis (series)  Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia Maclachlan (and companion books)  Snow Treasure by Marie McSwigan  Understood Betsy by Dorothy Canfield Fisher  The War That Saved My Life by Kimberly Burbaker Bradley (series)  The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman</p>
<p>Science Fiction</p>	<p>The Journal of Curious Letters by James Dashner (series)  The White Mountains by John Christopher (series)  Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer  A Wrinkle in Time by Madeline L'Engle</p>
<p>Non-Fiction and Biographies and Autobiographies</p>	<p>Blizzard of Glass: The Halifax Explosion of 1917 by Sally M. Walker  Amelia Lost: The Life and Disappearance of Amelia Earhart by Candace Fleming  Boy by Roald Dahl  Chocolate by Hershey: A Story About Milton S. Hershey by Betty Burford  Wonder by R.J. Palacio  Escape! The Story of the Great Houdini by Sid Fleischman  Model T: How Henry Ford Built a Legend by David Weitzman  The Dreamer by Pam Munoz Ryan  My Life in Dog Years by Gary Paulsen  Who Is... ? series by various authors  George Washington: Spymaster by Thomas B. Allen  Helen's Eyes by Marfe Delano  The Signers: The Fifty-Six Stories Behind the Declaration of Independence by Dennis B. Fradin  My Life with Chimpanzees by Jane Goodall  We Are the Ship by Kadir Nelson  When Is a Planet Not a Planet? By Elaine Scott  Langston Hughes: American Poet by Alice Walker  Elly- My True Story of the Holocaust by Elly B. Gross</p>

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Characters	Description

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