



Zion Lutheran School

Christ-Centered, Classical Education

Summer 2020 Reading Lists



The intent of these reading lists is to keep students reading throughout the summer! Students that continue to read throughout the summer vacation months come back to school with strengthened reading skills – those who do not tend to fall behind their peers who continued to read. Reading during the summer is a great way to keep gains made during the school year. These lists are to be guides to quality literature that students might not normally seek out on their own. Give them a chance!

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into First Grade

Choose at least any two from this list:

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst
Can I Be Your Dog by Troy Cummings
Caps for Sale by Esphyr Solbodkina
The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss
Chicken Little by Steven Kellog
Cinderella by Marcia Brown
Danny and the Dinosaur by Syd Hoff
Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel
Goodnight, Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
The Hare and the Tortoise by Brian Wildsmith
The Little Engine that Could by Watty Piper
The little Red Hen by Margot Zemcah
Make way for the Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
Millions of Cats by Wanda Gag
Mother Goose Rhymes by Anonymous
Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters: An Africa Tale by John Steptoe
Sammy the Seal by Syd Hoff
Swimmy by Leo Lionni
The Three Bears by Paul Galdone
The Three Billy Goats Gruff by Peter Christen Asbjornsen
The Three Little Pigs by Rodney Peppe
The Tale of Peter Rabbit by BeatrixPotter
The Ugly Duckling by Hans Christian Anderson
Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak
Wordy Birdy by Tammi Sauer
The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

Any Books from the series of...

Bruce Books by Ryan T. Higgins
Biscuit Books by Alyssa Capucilli
Clifford the Big Red Dog books by Norman Birdwell
Curious George books by H.A. Rey
Elephant and Piggy books by Mo Williams
Franklin Book Series by Paulette Bourgeois & Brenda Clark
Henry and Mudge books by Cynthia Rylant
Little Critter books by Mercer Mayer
Madeleine books by Ludwig Bemelmans
Miss Nelson books by Harry Allard
Poppelton books by Cynthia Rylant
Spot books by Eric Hill
& any books by...Dr.Seuss

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Second Grade

Choose at least any two from this list:

Click, Clack, Moo by Doreen Cronin
Curious George by H. A. Rey
Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes
The Cool Bean by Jory John & Pete Oswald
Diary of a Worm by Doreen Cronin
The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
The Good Egg by Jory John & Pete Oswald
How Much is a Million? By David M. Schwartz
Inch by Inch by Leo Lioni
Mouse Tales by Arnold Lobel
Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann
Owl Moon by Jane Yolen
A Tree is Nice by Jancie May Udry
The Complete Tales of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter

Any books from the series of...

Amelia Bedelia books by Peggy Parish
Flat Stanley books by Jeff Brown
Frog and Toad books by Arnold Lobel
Ivy and Bean books by Annie Barrows
Junie B. Jones books by Barbara Park
Nancy Clancy books by Jane O'Connor
Nancy Drew and the Clue Crew books by Carolyn Keene
Nate the Great books by Marjery Williams
Horrible Harry books by Suzy Kline
Magic Tree House books by Mary Pope Osborne
Magic School Bus books by various authors
Mr. Putter and Tabby books by Cynthia Rylant
Ralph Mouse by Beverly Cleary
Ready Freddy books by Abby Klein
Tacky the Penguin books by Helen Lester

Any books by... Beverly Cleary, Helen Lester, Jake Maddox (Sports books), Laura Numeroff, Megan McDonald

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Third Grade

Choose at least any two from this list:

Picture Books:

Crickwing by Janell Cannon
Jumanji by Chris Van Allsburg
Seven Blind Mice by Ed Young
The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats
The Ugly Duckling by Hans Christian Andersen, Illustrated by Jerry Pinkney
The Velveteen Rabbit by Marjery Williams
Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak
The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka
Any book in the *Magic School Bus* series by
Any book in the *Arthur* series by Marc Brown

Chapter Books:

Herbie Jones by Suzie Kline
Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater
The Best School Year Ever by Barbara Robinson
Class Clown by Johanna Hurwitz
How to Speak Dolphin by Ginny Rorby
Ramona The Brave by Beverly Cleary
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes by Eleanor Coerr
The Year of Billy Miller by Kevin Henkes
Any book in the *Amber Brown* series by Paula Danziger
Any book in the *Amelia Bedelia* series by Peggy Parish
Any book in the *Bad Kitty* series by
Any book in the *Bailey School Kids* series by Debbie Dadey
Any book in the *Boxcar Children* series by Gertrude Chandler Warner
Any book in the *Cam Jensen* series by David A. Adler
Any book in the *Little House Beginning Chapter Books* series by Laura Ingalls Wilder
Any book in the *Junie B Jones* series by Barbara Park
Any book in the *Magic Treehouses* series by Mary Pope Osborne
Any book in the *Whatever After* series by Sarah Mylynowski
Any book in the *Wayside School* Series by Louis Sachar

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Fourth Grade

Choose at least any two from this list:

Adventures of Humphrey by Betty Bimey
Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll
Amber Brown Goes Fourth by Paula Danziger
Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
The Contest: Everest #1 by Gordon Korman
Earthquake Terror by Peg Kehret
Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan
Fables by Arnold Lobel
Homesick by Jean Fritz
Journey to Jo'burg: A South African Story by Beverly Naidoo
Misty of Chincoteague by Marguerite Henry
Our Only May Amelia by Jennifer L. Holm
Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse
The School Story by Andrew Clements
Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
Brian's Winter by Gary Paulsen
Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
There's an Owl in the Shower by Jean Craighead George
There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom by Louis Sachar
The Time Bike by Jane Langston
Tornado by Betsy Cromer Byars
Wanted- Mud Blossom by Betsy Byars
Stuart Little by E.B. White
Sugar by Jewell Parker Rhodes
Wonder by RJ Palacio
Any book in the *Bunnicula* series by James Howe
Any book in the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series by Jeff Kinney
Any book in the *Ramona Quimby* series by Beverly Cleary
Any book in the *I Survived* series by Lauren Tarshis
Any book in the *Swindle* series by Gordon Korman
Any book in the *Who is... Who Was...* series by multiple authors

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Fifth Grade

Any two from this list:

Adam of the Road by Elizabeth Janet Gray
Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko
Becoming Naomi Leon by Pam Munoz Ryan
Beetles, Lightly Toasted by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Blue Willow by Doris Gates
Caleb's Story by Patricia Maclachlan
Captain's Dog by Roland Smith
Cat Who Went to Heaven by Elizabeth Coatsworth
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl
Daughter of the Mountain by Louise Rankin
Door in the Wall by Marguerite D'Angeli
Ginger Pye by Eleanor Estes
Gone Away Lake by Elizabeth Enright
The Great Gilly Hopkins by Katherine Patterson
Homesick, My Own Story by Jean Fritz
House of Sixty Fathers by Meindert DeJong
Joey Pigza Loses Control by Jack Gantos
Journey Outside by Mary Q. Steele
Junebug by Alice Mead
Knee Knock Rise by Natalie Babbit
Love That Dog by Sharon Creech
The Matchlock Gun by Walter D. Edmonds
Mountain Born by Elizabeth Yates
My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George
Our Strange New Land: Elizabeth's Diary, Jamestown, Virginia, 1609 by Patricia Hermes
Pedro's Journal: A Voyage with Christopher Columbus August 3, 1492 February 14, 1493 by Pam Conrad
The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
Rabbit Hill by Robert Lawson
Robin Hood by Roger Lancelyn Green
Secret of the Andes by Ann Nolan Clark
The Shakespeare Stealer by Gary Blackwood
Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speares
Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain
Twenty-One Balloons by Pene Dubois

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Sixth Grade

Any two from this list:

Anne of Green Gables by L. M. Montgomery
After the Rain by Norma Fox Mazer
Belle Prater's Boy by Ruth White
Brian's Winter by Gary Paulson
A Cricket in Time Square by George Seldon
The Family Under the Bridge by Natalie Savage
Faith and the Electric Dog by Patrick Jennings
The Game of Sunken Places by MT Anderson
Gay-Neck: Story of a Pigeon by Dhan Gopal Mukerji
The Grey King by Susan Cooper
Gulliver's Travels by Jonathan Swift
Heidi by Johanna Spyria
Island of the Blue Dolphin by Scott O'Dell
Justin Morgan Had a Horse by Marguerite Henry
Kildee House by Rutherford Montgomery
A Long Way From Chicago by Richard Peck
Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli
Old Yeller by Fred Gipson
Onion John by Joseph Krumgold
Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse
Philip Hall Likes Me, I Reckon, Maybe by Bette Greene
Pictures of Hollis Woods by Patricia Reilly Giff
The Return of the Indian by Lynne Reid Banks
The Rifle by Gary Paulson
Robinson Crusoe by David Defoe
The School Story by Andrew Clements
The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett
The Silver Pencil by Alice Dalgliesh
Sing Down the Moon by Scott O'Dell
Soft Rain: The Story of the Cherokee Trail of Tears by Cornelia Cornelissen
Souder by William H. Armstrong
The Swiss Family Robinson by Johann Wyss
The Trumpeter of Krakow by Eric P. Kelly
The Watsons Go to Birmingham-1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis
Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson by Bette Bao Lord
Any book by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Seventh Grade

Any two from this list:

Around the World in 80 Days by Jules Verne

Banner in the Sky by James Ramsey

A Boy at War by Harry Mazer

Call It Courage by Armstrong Sperry

Call of the Wild by Jack London

A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens

Crispin: The Cross of Lead by Avi

Dragon's Gate by Laurence Yep

From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frank. By E.L. Konigsburg

The Fledgling by Jane Langton

A Gathering of Days by Joan Blos

A Girl Named Disaster by Nancy Farmer

The Golden Goblet by Eloise Jarvis McGraw

The Great Wheel by Robert Lawson

Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

Howl's Moving Castle by Dianna Wynne Jones

Indian Captive by Lois Lenski

It's Like This, Cat by Emily Neville

Jacob Have I Loved by Katherine Paterson

Let the Circle Be Unbroken by Mildred D. Taylor

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

King of the Wind by Marguerite Henry

Miracles on Maple Hill by Virginia Sorenson

One-Eyed Cat by Paula Fox

The Perilous Road by William O. Steele

Rasco and the Rats of NIMH by Jane Leslie Conly

Shadow of a Bull by Maia Wojciechowska

A Solitary Blue by Cynthia Voigt

The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin

The White Stag by Kate Seredy

The Yearling by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings

Any book by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Any book by Lois Lowry

Any book by Gary Paulsen

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Eighth Grade

Any two from this list:

The Once and Future King by T.H. White
My Brother Sam Is Dead by James Lincoln
And Now Miguel by Joseph Krumgold
Anne Frank Remembered by Miep Geis
Big Wave by Pearl S. Buck
The Blue Castle by L. M. Montgomery
The Blue Sword by Robin McKinley
The Bronze Bow by Elizabeth George Speare
The Dark Is Rising by Susan Cooper
The Gammage Cup by Carol Kendall
Gathering Blue by Lois Lowry
Great Expectations by Charles Dickens
The Hero and the Crown by Robin McKinley
The High King by Lloyd Alexander
I, Juan de Pareja by Elizabeth Borton de Trevino
Incident At Hawk's Hill by Allan W. Eckert
The King's Shadow by Elizabeth Alder
The King's Fifth by Scott O'Dell
Last of the Mohicans by James Fenimore Cooper
Lord of the Flies by William Golding
The Martian Chronicles by Ray Bradbury
Moccasin Trail by Eloise Jarvis
The Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway
Old Ramon by Jack Schaefer
Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane
Return to Hawk's Hill by Allan W. Eckert
Robinson Crusoe by Daniel DeFoe
Rifles for Watie by Harold Keith
A String in the Harp by Nancy Bond
Swift Rivers by Cornelia Meigs
Swiss Family Robinson by Johann David Wyss
That Was Then, This Is Now by S.E. Hinton
Up a Road Slowly by Irene Hunt
Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech
Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls
With Lee in Virginia by G. A. Henty