

Charleston Day School
Summer Reading List
Rising Fifth Grade

Welcome to the fifth grade! Students are asked to read **at least three novels** this summer. You should plan to read about thirty minutes a day and to read one book a month. Think about your summer schedule and choose a quiet time for you to read, please don't wait until August to begin reading!

As a part of your summer reading, everyone is required to read *A Lion to Guard Us* by Clyde Robert Bulla. This book may be counted as one of the three books you read. We will begin discussing this novel on the first day of class, so you will want to make sure that you have read the book carefully. Please bring a copy of the book to school, and you should be prepared to participate in a discussion and take a written test on *A Lion to Guard Us*.

You may choose the two other books of required reading from the suggested reading list; however, you may not choose a previously read title.

You are required to TYPE a report on each of the three books read. Please include the following information (illustrations are optional):

1. Title
2. Author's full name
3. Number of Pages
4. A "gist" statement (5 sentences long maximum) that summarizes the book.
5. Date completed
6. Parent signature

Here is an example gist statement for *The Lemonade War*.

Fourth-grader Evan Treski is good at talking with people, even grownups. His younger sister, Jessie, on the other hand, is math-smart, but not especially good with people. When the siblings' lemonade stand war begins, there really is no telling who will win—or even if their fight will ever end.

Each entry must be dated. Your reports with gist statements must be turned in the first day of school. **Any student not completing the required reading will stay after for one hour each day until the reading and statements are completed.**

Happy Reading!!!

Genre	Series	Title and Author (** = Mrs. Boling's favorites)	
Realistic Fiction, Historical Fiction	X	Buyea, Rob Because of Mr. Terupt series**	
		Clements, Andrew Extra Credit	
		Feldman, Jody 7th Level	
		Hiaasen, Carl Flush	
		Konigsburg, E. L. The View from Saturday**	
		Mack, Winnie After all, You're Callie Boone	
		Snyder, Zilpha Keatley The Egypt Game	
			The Gypsy Game
			The Meaning of Maggie
		X	Weeks, Sarah Pie and companion books
		X	Id Noel Ballet Shoes and companion books
		X	Biel, Michael D. Red Blazer Girls series
		X	Bosch, Pseudonymous The Name of this Book is Secret series
			Burnett, Frances Hodgson A Little Princess
			Byars, Betsy The Midnight Fox
			Conway, Celeste The Goodbye Time
			Coville, Bruce Into the Land of the Unicorn
			Creech, Sharon Absolutely Normal Chaos
			Curtis, Christopher Paul The Watsons Go to Birmingham
		X	Grabenstein, Chris Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library series
			Giff, Patricia Reilly Storyteller
			Gipson, Fred Old Yeller
		X	Haberdasher, Violet Knightly Academy series
		X	Hunter, Erin Warriors series
		X	Leppard, Lois Mandie series **
			Levine, Kristin The Lions of Little Rock
			Lin, Grace Where the Mountain Meets the Moon
			Lopez, Diana Confetti Girl
			Mass, Wendy Candymakers
			McCloskey, Robert Homer Price **
			Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds Shiloh
			Nicholson, William Wind on Fire series
			Nixon, Joan Lowery A Family Apart
		Orr, Wendy Nim's Island*	
	X	Palacio, R.J. Wonder and companion books**	
		Paolini, Christopher Eldest	
		Paterson, Katherine Bridge to Terabithia **	
		Peck, Richard A Long Way from Chicago**	
		Philbrick, Rodman Freak, the Mighty	

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Action, Adventure	X	Burnford, Sheila Christopher, John D'Ath, Justin The Incredible Journey ** Tripods series Bushfire Rescue Crocodile Attack	
	X	DuPrau, Jeanne The City of Ember series	
	X	George, Jean Craighead Julie of the Wolves ** Julie's Wolf Pack The Talking Earth	
	X	Haddix, Margaret Peterson Among the Hidden series	
	X	Hale, Shannon Princess Academy series	
	X	Hobbs, Will Far North Jason's Gold	
	X	Horowitz, Anthony Alex Rider series	
	X	Lord, Gabrielle Conspiracy 365 series (must be read in order)	
	X	Paulsen, Gary Hatchet series **	
	X	Philbrick, Rodman Figg The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P	
	Fantasy	X	Barry, Dave Peter and the Star Catchers series
		X	Buckley, Michael Sisters Grimm series
		X	Chainani, Soman The School for Good and Evil series
X		Dahl, Roald The Witches	
X		Duncan, Lois Gift of Magic	
X		Eager, Edward The Well-Wishers Seven-Day Magic	
X		Feldman, Jody Gollywhopper Games	
X		Grahame, Kenneth The Wind in the Willows **	
X		Hale, Shannon The Goose Girl **	
X		Jacques, Brian Redwall (series)**	
X		Levine, Gail Carson Ella Enchanted ** Fairest	
X		Lewis, C. S. The Chronicles of Narnia series **	
X		Norton, Mary The Borrowers series**	
X	Tanner, Lian Museum of Thieves (Keeper series)		
X	Tolkien, J.R.R. The Hobbit The Fellowship of the Rings		

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Biographies and Autobiographies Non-Fiction	Adair, Gene	George Washington Carver	
	Beamish, Richard J.	The Boy's Story of Lindbergh, the Lone Eagle	
	Baker, Rachel	The First Woman Doctor, the Story of Elizabeth Blackwell*	
		Carter, Hodding	Angel of Mercy, Story of Dorothea Lynde Dix America's First Trained Nurse, Linda Richards
		Cousins, Margaret	The Marquis de Lafayette, Bright Sword for Freedom **
		Fradin, Dennis	The Story of Thomas Alva Edison Samuel Adams, the Father of American Independence
		Fritz, Jean	Traitor, the Case of Benedict Arnold
		Garst, Shannon	Amelia Earhart, Heroine of the Skies **
		Gilbreth, Frank & Ernestine	Annie Oakley **
		Hoehling, Mary	Cheaper by the Dozen **
		Holland, Rupert Sargent	Girl Soldier and Spy, Sara Emma Edmundson
		Keller, Helen	Freedom's Flag, Story of Francis Scott Key **
		Latham, Jean Lee	Helen Keller, the Story of My Life **
		Lavine, Sigmund A.	Carry On, Mr. Bowditch **
		Mayo, Barbara	Kettering, Master Inventor
		Noble, Iris	Henry Clay
		Nolan, Jeannette Covert	Emily Barringer, First Woman Ambulance Surgeon
		Sterling Point	Bell Boyd, Secret Agent
		St. George, Judith	Spy for the Confederacy, Rose O'Neal Greenhow
		Usborne Various Authors	Dolley Madison
	Vaughan, David	Series of Biographies (various authors)	
	Williamson, Mary L.	Dear Dr. Bell...Your Friend, Helen Keller	
	Wilkins, J. Steven	True Stories series	
	Yates, Elizabeth	Give Me Liberty, the Uncompromising Statesmanship of Patrick Henry **	
		The Life of General Stonewall Jackson	
		The Life of George Washington	
		The Life of J. E. B. Stuart	
		Call of Duty, Sterling Nobility of Robert E. Lee	
		Amos Fortune, Free Man **	

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Summer Book Log

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