Charleston Day School Summer Reading List Rising 5th Graders

Welcome to the fifth grade! Students are asked to read **at least three novels** this summer. As a part of your summer reading, everyone is required to read Wonder by RJ Palacio. 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 ensure you have read the book carefully. There is a writing activity to complete on the novel included in this packet. Please bring a copy of the book and the completed writing activity to school. Take your time on this assignment, and please demonstrate your best work. This is your first impression of your writing that I will get to see!

The two other required reading books **must be chosen from the suggested reading list**; however, you may not choose a previously read title. Once you have completed your three required novels, keep reading!

You are required to **TYPE** a report on each of the **three** books read. Please include the following information in your typed report:

- 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. On the other hand, his younger sister, Jessie, 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.

Your reports with gist statements must be turned in on the first day of school. According to the CDS handbook, students will face academic and disciplinary consequences if the work is incomplete. By completing this assignment, you show responsibility for being prepared for firth grade.

Name:_____

Summer Book Log: Use this log to keep track of all the books you read this summer. 🗐

Title	Author	Page Count

Name:

Wonder Writing Assignment

Directions: At the end of Wonder, Auggie receives an award. Mr. Tushman did not make Auggie give a speech, but I want you to pretend that he did. Write Auggie's speech below. Include all of the things Auggie experienced and what he learned during his first year in school. Who would Auggie thank and why? This assignment should be completed independently.



Series	Title and Author		
	Realistic Fiction		
	Elephant in the Room by Holly Goldberg Sloan		
	Fast Pitch by Nic Stone		
	Halfway to Harmony by Barbara O'Connor		
Х	The Islanders by Mary Alice Monroe		
	Long Pitch Home by Natalie Dias Lorenzi		
	Linked by Gordon Korman		
	Many Meanings of Meilan by Andrea Wang		
	Playing the Cards You're Dealt by Varian Johnson		
	Sofia Acosta Makes a Scene by Emma Otheguy		
	Ten Thousand Tries by Amy Makechnie		
Х	New From Here by Kelly Yang		
	Maizy Chen's Last Chance by Lisa Yee		
	The Door of No Return by Kwame Alexander		
Х	FunJungle by Stuart Gibbs		
Х	Spy School by Stuart Gibbs		
	Because of Mr. Terupt by Rob Buyea		
	Extra Credit by Andrew Clements		
	The 7 th Level by Jody Feldman		
Х	Flush by Carl Hiaasen		
	The View from Saturday by E.L Konigsburg		
	After All, You're Callie Boone by W.C Mack		
N	The Meaning of Maggie by Megan Jean Sovern		
Х	Ballet Shoes by by Noel Streatfeild (Companion books:		
	Theatre Shoes, Circus Shoes, Movie Shoes, Dancing Shoes)		
	A Little Princess by Hodgson Burnett		
	The Midnight Fox by Betsy Byars		
	The Goodbye Time by Celeste Conway		
	Absolutely Normal Chaos by Sharon Creech		
	Old Yeller by Fred Gipson		
	Confetti Girl by Diana Lopez		
	Candymakers by Wendy Mass Homor Price by Pobert McCloskey		
	Homer Price by Robert McCloskey		
	Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor		
	A Family Apart by Joan Lowery Nixon		

	Adventure Fiction
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	Nim's Island by Wendy Orr
	Holes by Louis Sachar
	<u>Fantasy</u>
	Knightley Academy by Violet Haberdasher
	Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin
	The Accidental Apprentice by Amanda Foody
	Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson
	Wind on Fire by William Nicholson
	Cece Rios and the Desert of Souls by Kaela Rivera
	The Marvellers by Dhonielle Clayton
	Ophie's Ghosts by Justina Ireland
	Root Magic by Eden Royce
Х	Skyborn by Jessica Khoury
Х	Mystwyck School of Musicraft by Jessica Khoury
	Willodeen by Katherine Applegate
	Zachary Ying and the Dragon Emperor by Xiran Jay Zhao
X	The False Prince by Jennifer A. Nielsen
X	Arlo Finch by John August
X	Amari by B.B Alston
X	Into the Land of the Unicorns by Bruce Coville
X	Warriors by Erin Hunter
	Animal Fiction
X	Dog Squad by Chris Grabenstein
	Stella by McdCall Hoyle
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^	One and Only Ruby by Katherine Applegate
	A Wolf Called Wander by Rosanne Parry
	Stay by Bobbie Pyron
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	Historical Fiction
	Freewater by Amina Luqman-Dawson
	Brother's Keeper by Julie Lee Finding, Junio Kim by Ellon Ob
	Finding Junie Kim by Ellen Oh The Unsung Hero of Birdsong USA by Brenda Woods
	War and Millie McGonigle by Karen Cushman
	A Long Way from Chicago by Richard Peck
	Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt
	The Watsons Go to Burmingham by Christopher Paul Curtis
	Storyteller by Patricia Reilly Giff
	The Lions of Little Rock by Kristin Levine
	Science Fiction
	The Last Cuentista by Donna Barba Higuera
Х	The Last Gate of the Emperor by Joel Dawit Makonnen and
	Kwame Mbalia
	Maya and the Robot by Eve Ewing
	Stowaway by John David Anderson
Х	Cleo Porter and the Body Electric by Jake Burt Dragon Pearl by Yoon Ha Lee
X	Space Case by Stuart Gibbs
	<u>Mystery</u>
	The Egypt Game by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
	The Gypsy Game by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
	Pie by Sarah Weeks
Х	The Name of this Book is Secret by Pseudonymous Bosch
Х	Red Blazer Girls by Michael D. Biel
	Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein
X	Mandie by Lois Leppard