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Grade 5 Summer Reading



Dear Boys and Girls,

Welcome! Reading is so important to everything you do in school and in your life! It is important to practice your reading skills as much as you can so you can find success in everything you choose to do.

Here is the impact of reading 20 minutes a day:

A student who reads for...	A student who reads for...	A student who reads for...
20 minutes a day	5 minutes a day	1 minute a day
Will be exposed to 1.8 million words a year!	Will be exposed to 282,000 words a year!	Will be exposed to 8,000 words per year!

Through your summer reading, I would like for you to learn a little about the topics we will be studying next year. To help you be prepared for the exciting topics we will be learning, you will need to pick one book from the required reading list.

**Grade 5 will read at least 2 books
(1 required, 1 of choice)**

Summer is a great time to find books that you enjoy reading. Use this time to find these books! I look forward to hearing about all the wonderful books you choose to read!

Summer Reading Directions

1. Please follow the guidelines below.

Students entering grade 5 should read at least two novels at your independent reading level, one of these needs to be from the required reading list.

All the books you read should be books you have never read before!

You will find two lists attached. The first list is the required reading list and the second list is a list of good authors to choose from!

1. After finishing each book, please complete the attached graphic organizer that is titled "Summer Reading Worksheet".

Your completed worksheets are due on the first day of school!

**The books that you read should be
80 pages or more.**

Have a wonderful summer! I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Ms. Creedon

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Required: Choose ONE of these books for their required summer reading.

Shh! We're Writing the Constitution - Jean Fritz

Island of the Blue Dolphins - Scott O'Dell

Chains - by Laura Halse Anderson

A Picture of Freedom, the Diary of Clotee - Patricia C, McKissack

Mill - David Macauley

YOUR CHOICE! The authors listed below are suggested authors to choose from, but you are welcome to choose any author or title you find interesting. However, make sure the books that you choose are on your grade level!

Laurie Halse Anderson

Louise Erdrich

Scott O'Dell

Avi

Cynthia Rylant

Linda Sue Park

Blue Balliett

Louis Sachar

Katherine Patterson

Joseph Bruchac

Sid Fleishman

Ann Rinaldi

Caroline Cooney

Patricia Reilly Giff

Victoria Roth

Susan COoper

Carl Hiaasen

Jerry Spinelli

Eoin Colfer

Brian Jacques

Cynthia Voigt

Christopher and James Collier

Madeleine L'Engle

Jane Yolen

Suzanne Collins

C.S. Lewis

Bruce Colville

Lois Lowry

Karen Cushman

Mike Lupica

James Dashner

Patricia Maclachlan

Name: _____

Reading Response Worksheet

Title: _____

Author: _____

In the table below, you are going to use bullet points to name the main characters and important descriptions of those characters found in the book about those characters. Include the page numbers you find the descriptions on!

Main Character(s)	Description	Page Number

Answer the following questions in complete sentences.

Name one challenge the main character faced. Include the page number you found this information on.

How did the character respond to this challenge?

What did you like about this book? What did you dislike about this book?

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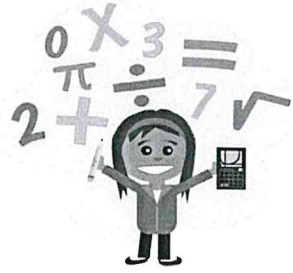
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SUMMER MATH

PRACTICING MATH SKILLS

Practicing math skills over the summer is just as important as keeping your reading skills sharp. Many students need this extra time to solidify their retention of multiplication facts, others need to keep their ability to work with fractions, decimals, percentages, variables, and assorted shapes fresh.

EXPECTATIONS

- *DO THE MATH!* Check out the links below to find some fun websites and activities.
- Document everything you do on the attached chart and have a parent sign it.
- Hand in the chart to Mrs. Heflin during the first week of school. All students who record a TOTAL of 10 hours for the summer will receive an A as their first grade of the quarter!

WEBSITES

- MathPlayground.com (**Make sure to sign in with your Access Name and Sign in Code to be able to play Premium games!**)
 1. Going into 5th grade: AN: **asa5/** Code: **fifth**
 2. Going into 6th grade: AN: **asa6/** Code **sixth**
 3. Going into 7th/8th grade: AN: **asa78/** Code **seventh**
- Prodigy.com
- Education.com (where you can print out worksheets if you prefer to work on paper)
- ScholasticMath.com (Use the code **balltent3614**)
- GregTang.com

BOARD GAMES

Basic Operations:	Monopoly * Life * Tripoly
Patterns and Geometry:	Blokus * Quirkle * Sequence
Logical Reasoning:	Clue * Stratego * SoDoKu
Strategy Games:	Mancala * Connect 4 * Chess and Checkers

MATH WITH CARDS AND DICE

Cards and dice make practicing math more fun!

CARDS: **Multiplication War:** Each person throws down a card just like you do in the classic game of War, but in this game, the person who finds the product of the two cards first gets to keep the pair.

WeAreTeachers.com/fraction-games : 17 fun and free fraction games

WeAreTeachers.com/dice-games: 12 assorted dice games

boredteachers.com/resources/20-activities-for-learning-math-with-card-games

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

- **Take a Vacation!** Help with the planning of a family trip. Use an atlas and figure out how many miles you will be traveling. Calculate your car's gas mileage. Use your car's trip odometer to find out how many miles you've driven, and determine your average speed.
- **Grow a Garden!** How big is your garden? How much fencing do you need? How much fertilizer keeps your garden growing? Go to the supermarket and find out the cost of fresh vegetables, then see how much money you save growing them yourself.
- **Let's Play Ball!** Calculate some statistics about your favorite players, or even about yourself! Baseball is full of numbers - you can figure out a pitcher's ERA, a hitter's on-base percentage or batting average, or a team's percentage of wins/losses.
- **Go to the Grocery Store!** Estimate the total bill based on prices of what you are buying. Figure out the unit price of your favorite box of cereal, or the total cost of fruits or vegetables after you find out their weight.
- **Cooking!!!** Measure all your ingredients - great practice working with fractions. Try figuring out how much you will need if you want to double the recipe or cut it in half.

