



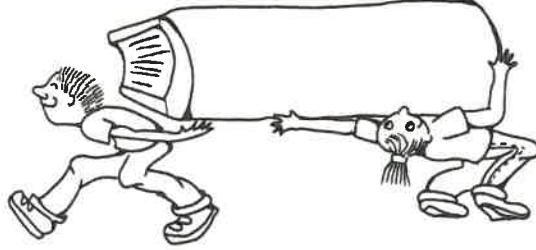
## Summer Reading Plan for WA Grammar School

We hope you will find the Summer Reading Plan a useful tool for cultivating a love of good literature and for encouraging your child to read.

1. Enjoy a book as a family! Reading aloud not only stimulates an interest in good books, but also models expressive, fluent reading. Using appropriate intonation, expression, phrasing, and pausing demonstrates that meaning is embedded in the interpretation of words and fosters comprehension.
2. Set up a daily reading time and provide age-appropriate books. You will find wonderful, graded selections on the attached recommended reading list.
3. Make frequent trips to the library!
4. Periodically have your child read aloud to you as you follow along in the text. This will help you assess your child's reading progress. Encourage your child by helping him sound out words if he begins to struggle.
5. Encourage your child in his required summer reading. Students entering grades 3-6 are required to read two books, but we hope students will read many more. See the list below for the specifics of your child's grade:
  - Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> grade:
    - *Little House on the Prairie*, Laura Ingalls Wilder (parents are encouraged to read this book aloud to students as it bridges the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade reading selection of *Little House in the Big Woods* and the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade reading of *On the Banks of Plum Creek*)
    - From our list, select one chapter book of your choice. For this book, students should use the attached summary worksheet to record their reading. This will be handed in on the first day of school.
  - Rising 4<sup>th</sup> grade:
    - Read two books from the 4<sup>th</sup> grade summer reading list.
    - Choose one of the books and complete a book report form (attached) to turn in on the first day of school.
    - For the other book, be prepared to briefly retell the story. Students will need to bring this book to share more about it with the class.
  - Rising 5<sup>th</sup> grade:
    - Two books from the 5<sup>th</sup> grade summer reading list.
    - For both books, students should use the attached summary worksheet to record their reading. This will be handed in on the first day of school.
  - Rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade:
    - *Number the Stars*, Lois Lowry and one book from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade summer reading list.
    - For both books, students should use the attached summary worksheet to record their reading. This will be handed in on the first day of school.

Happy Reading!

# 3rd Grade Summer Reading



## Book Report

You will read one book from the 3rd grade reading list. For this book, complete the book report form. It will be due the first day of school, so be sure that you bring it with you.

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Title of book: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

What was your favorite part of the story?

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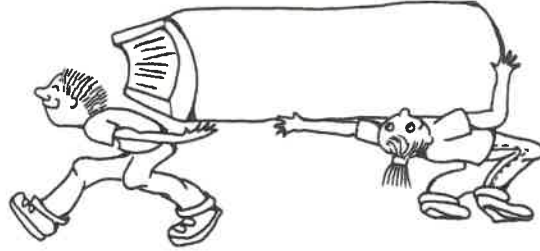
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Draw your favorite part of the story!

A large, empty rounded rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for a student to draw their favorite part of the story.

# 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading



## Book Report

You will read two books from the 4<sup>th</sup> grade reading list. For one of those books, complete this book report form. It will be due the first day of school, so be sure that you bring it with you. For the other book, there will be an in-class activity the first week of school. Be sure to bring that book with you on the first day of school!

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Title of book: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Give your answers in complete sentences and in your best cursive handwriting.

Where and when did this story take place? (Setting)

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Who are the main characters? Describe each.

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What is the problem in the story? (Conflict)

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What is the turning point (highest point of interest, the peak of tension) in the story? (Climax)

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How is the problem finally solved? (Falling Action)

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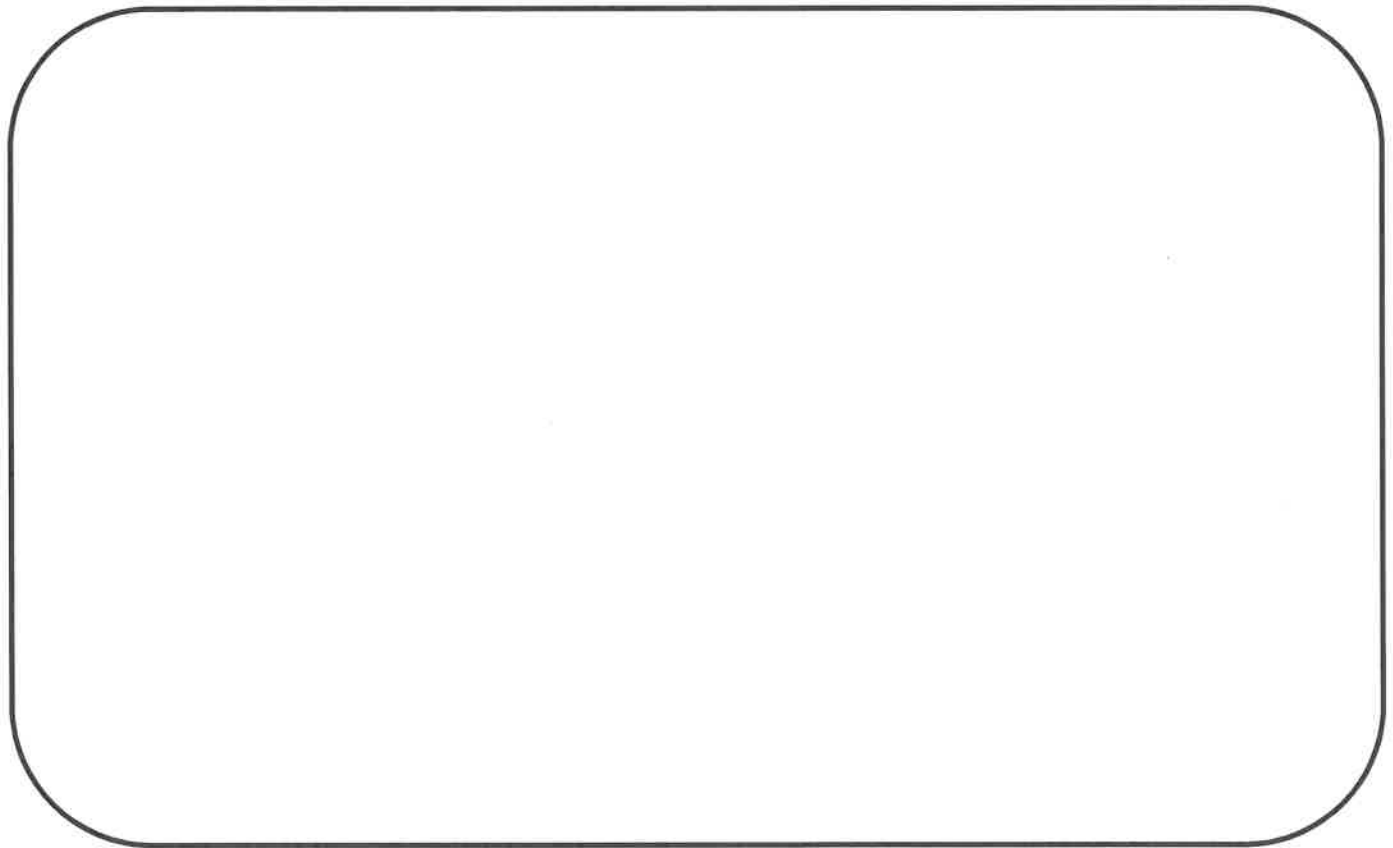
How does the story end? (Resolution)

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Draw a picture to go with your favorite scene. Remember to add color!













# 3<sup>rd</sup> GRADE SUMMER READING LIST

## Required Reading (please read aloud to your child):

### *Little House on the Prairie* –Laura Ingalls Wilder

Please choose another book from the following list. Have your student read the book and complete the attached book report form.

**NOTE:** These books cover various reading levels. Please choose a book that will challenge, but not overwhelm your student. Also, while only one book is listed per author, there may be other selections by that author your student would enjoy. Feel free to choose a different book.

*Billy and Blaze* (series) – C.W. Anderson  
*The One and Only Ivan* – Katherine Applegate  
*The Wizard of Oz* (series) - L. Frank Baum  
*A Bear Called Paddington*- Michael Bond  
*Baby Island*- Carol Ryrie Brink  
The *Freddy* series- Walter Brooks  
*Henry Huggins* (series)-Beverly Cleary  
*The BFG*-Roald Dahl  
*Because of Winn Dixie*- Kate Di Camillo  
*Hardy Boys* (original series)-Franklin Dixon  
*The Saturdays*-Elizabeth Enright  
*Pinky Pye*-Eleanor Estes  
*My Father's Dragon*-Ruth Styles Gannett  
*My Side of the Mountain*-Jean Craighead George  
*Great Illustrated Classics* (series)-Various Authors  
*Dangerous Journey*-Oliver Hunkin  
*Bobbsey Twins* (series)-Laura Lee Hope

*Nancy Drew* (original series)-Carolyn Keene  
*Pippi Longstocking*-Astrid Lindgren  
*Betsy-Tacy*-Maude Loveless  
*Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle*-Betty MacDonald  
*Sarah Plain and Tall*-Patricia MacLachlan  
*Winnie-the-Poo*-A.A. Milne  
*Owls in the Family*- Farley Mowat  
*Treasure Seekers*- E. Nesbit  
*Tales of Peter Rabbit*-Beatrix Potter  
*In Grandma's Attic* (series)-Arleta Richardson  
*A to Z Mysteries* (series)-Ron Roy  
*The Rescuers*-Margery Sharp  
*I Survived* (series)-Lauren Tarshis  
*Who Was?* (series)-Various Authors-choose carefully  
*Stuart Little*- E.B. White  
*Velveteen Rabbit*-Margery Williams  
*Farmer Boy*-Laura Ingalls Wilder  
*The Green Ember*-S.D. Wilson

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading List

**Required Reading:** Choose two books from the list below.

### **Suggested Fiction:**

*The Whipping Boy* by Sid Fleischman  
*The Castle in the Attic* by Elizabeth Winthrop  
*The Black Stallion* by Walter Farley  
*My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George  
*Stuart Little* by E. B. White  
*The Trumpet of the Swan* by E. B. White  
*James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl  
*Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle* by Betty MacDonald  
*Half Magic* by Edgar Eager  
*The Mouse and the Motorcycle* by Beverly Cleary  
*Henry Huggins* by Beverly Cleary  
*Ribsy* by Beverly Cleary  
*The Chocolate Touch* by Patrick Skene Catling  
*Old Yeller* by Fred Gipson  
*The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C. S. Lewis  
*Shiloh* by Phyllis Naylor

*The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett  
*Strawberry Girl* by Lois Lenski  
*The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan  
*Mary Poppins* by P. I. Travers  
*Harriet the Spy* by Louise Fitzhugh  
*The Wind in the Willows* by Kenneth Grahame  
*The Borrowers Afloat* by Mary Norton  
*The Bronze Bow* by Elizabeth George Speare  
*The Indian in the Cupboard* by Lynne Reid Banks  
*From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler* by E. L. Konigsburg  
*Pippi Longstocking* by Astrid Lindgren  
*The Princess and the Goblin* by George MacDonald  
*The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* by Kate DiCamillo  
*Because of Winn Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading List

**Required Reading:** Choose two books from the list below.

### **Suggested Fiction:**

*Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott  
*Baby Island* by Carol Ryrie Brink  
*Caddie Woodlawn* by Carol Ryrie Brink  
*The Secret Garden* by Frances H. Burnett  
*Incredible Journey* by Sheila Burnford  
*Charlie and the Great Glass* by Ronald Dahl  
*James and the Giant Peach* by Ronald Dahl  
*Robinson Crusoe* by Daniel Defoe  
*Ginger Pye* (series) by Eleanor Estes  
*My Side of the Mountain* by Jean C. George  
*Old Yeller* by Fred Gipson  
*Spy for the Night Riders* (any book in the Trailblazer series) by Dave and Neta Jackson  
*Redwall* (series) by Brian Jacques  
*Strawberry Girl* by Lois Lenski  
*Rush Revere and the Brave Pilgrims* (any book in the Rush Revere series) by Rush Limbaugh  
*Pippi Longstocking* by Astrid Lindgren  
*Mrs. Piggle Wiggle* by Betty MacDonald  
*Five Children and It* by E. Nesbit  
*The Borrowers* by Mary Norton  
*Hatchet* (series) by Gary Paulsen  
*Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm* by Kate Douglas Wiggin  
*The Invention of Hugo Cabret* by Brian Selznick  
Wingfeather Series by Andrew Peterson

*The Rescuers* by Margery Sharp  
*Five Little Peppers and How They Grew* by Margaret Signey  
*Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson  
*George Washington: Spymaster* by Thomas B. Allen  
*The Wilderking*(series) by Jonathan Rogers  
*100 Cupboards* (series) by N. D. Wilson  
*Outlaws of Time* (series) by N. D. Wilson  
*Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea* by Jules Verne  
*Heidi* by Johnathan Spyri  
*Doll People* (series) by Ann Martin  
*Three Investigators* (series) by M.V. Carey  
*The Little Princess* by Frances Hodgson Burnett  
*Trumpet of the Swan* by E. B. White  
*Wonder* by R. J. Palacio  
*Walk Two Moons* by Sharon Creech  
*The Chronicles of Narnia* by C. S. Lewis  
*Mandie* (series) by Lois Gladys Leppard  
*The Land of Stories* by Chris Golfer  
*Mr. Lemoncello's Library* by Chris Grabenstein  
*A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading List

**Required Reading:** You must read *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry and then your 2nd choice can be chosen from the booklist below.

### Suggested List:

*Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott  
*Across Five Aprils* by Irene Hunt  
*Shades of Gray* by Carolyn Reeder  
*By the Great Horned Spoon* by Sid Fleischman  
*Miracles on Maple Hill* by Virginia Sorenson  
*The Golden Goblet* by Eloise Jarvis McGraw  
*The Winged Watchman* by Hilda van Stockum  
*Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry* by Mildred D. Taylor  
*Freedom Train* by Dorothy Sterling  
*Watership Down* by Richard Adams  
*The Little Prince* by Antoine de Saint-Exupery  
*The Chronicles of Prydian* (any of the series) by Lloyd Alexander  
*The Martian Chronicles* by Ray Bradbury  
*Rip van Winkle* by Washington Irving  
*Legend of Sleepy Hollow* by Washington Irving  
*White Fang* by Jack London  
*My Friend Flicka* by Mary O'Hara  
*The Prince and the Pauper* by Mark Twain  
*Around the World in Eighty Days* by H.G. Wells  
*The Hound of the Baskervilles* by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

*Robinson Crusoe* by Daniel Defoe  
*George Washington Carver* (any in series) by Janet & Geoff Benge  
*Sing Down the Moon* by Scott O'Dell  
*Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell  
*Om-Kas-Toe* by Kenneth Thomasma  
*Marlfox* (any of the series) by Brian Jacques  
*Christy* by Catherine Marshall  
*Amos Fortune, Free Man* by Elizabeth Yates  
*The Eagle of the Ninth* by Rosemary Sutcliff  
*Big Red* (any of the series) by Jim Kjelgaard  
*Gathering Blue* by Lois Lowry  
*The Secret Garden* by Francis Hodgson Burnett  
*Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli  
*The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin  
*The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster  
*Ivanhoe* by Sir Walter Scott  
*Black Beauty* by Anna Sewell  
*The Hobbit* (or another) by J. R. R. Tolkien  
*The Voyage of the Dawn Treader* (or another) by C. S. Lewis  
*The Little Lame Prince* by Dinah Maria Mulock