



5th Summer Reading List for Incoming 5th Graders



Contemporary, Realistic, and Historical Fiction	
The Penderwicks	<i>Birdsall</i>
Superfudge	<i>Blume</i>
The Summer of Swans	<i>Byars</i>
Love That Dog	<i>Creech</i>
Bud, Not Buddy	<i>Curtis</i>
Because of Winn-Dixie	<i>DiCamillo</i>
Bandit's Moon	<i>Fleischman</i>
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key	<i>Gantos</i>
Nory Ryan's Song	<i>Giff</i>
My One Hundred Adventures	<i>Horvath</i>
Hot Hand	<i>Lupica</i>
Yang the Eldest and His Odd Jobs	<i>Namioka</i>
Saving Shiloh	<i>Naylor</i>
The Best School Year Ever	<i>Robinson</i>
The Year of Miss Agnes	<i>Hill</i>
Our Only May Amelia	<i>Holm</i>
Year of the Dog	<i>Lin</i>
Number the Stars	<i>Lowry</i>
Julia Gillian (and the Art of Knowing)	<i>McGhee</i>
Run Away Home	<i>McKissack</i>
Sarah Plain and Tall	<i>MacLachlan</i>
Seesaw Girl	<i>Park</i>
Dear America or Royal Diaries	<i>various authors</i>

Featured Author: Andrew Clements	
Frindle	The Report Card
The Landry News	Jake Drake Series
The Janitor's Boy	No Talking
The School Story	Lunch Money
A Week in the Woods	Room One: A Mystery or Two
The Jacket	Lost and Found

Fantasy and Science Fiction	
Whales on Stilts	<i>Anderson</i>
Artemis Fowl	<i>Colfer</i>
The Boggart	<i>Cooper</i>
The Tale of Despereaux	<i>Dicamillo</i>
City of Ember	<i>DuPrau</i>
Ella Enchanted	<i>Levine</i>
The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe	<i>Lewis</i>
I Was a Rat!	<i>Pullman</i>
The Lightning Thief	<i>Riordan</i>
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone	<i>Rowling</i>
Summer Reading is Killing Me	<i>Scieszka</i>
Calling All Dragon: The Enchanted Forest...	<i>Wrede</i>
Wizard's Hall	<i>Yolen</i>

Biography	
Lou Gehrig: The Luckiest Man	<i>Adler</i>
Through My Eyes (Ruby Bridges)	<i>Bridges</i>
I'm Still Scared: A 26 Fairmont Avenue Book	<i>dePaola</i>
Always Inventing (Alexander G. Bell)	<i>Matthews</i>
They Called Her Molly Pitcher	<i>Rockwell</i>
The Remarkable Benjamin Franklin	<i>Harness</i>
John Muir: America's First Environmentalist	<i>Lasky</i>
Marvelous Mattie: How Margaret E. Knight Became an Inventor	<i>McCully</i>
Make Your Mark, Franklin Roosevelt	<i>St. George</i>
John Smith Escapes Again	<i>Schanzer</i>
Anne Frank	<i>Poole</i>
A Woman for President: The Story of Victoria Woodhull	<i>Krull</i>

Nonfiction Information	
Ballpark: The Story of America's Baseball Fields	<i>Curlee</i>
Liberty	<i>Curlee</i>
Knut: How One Little Polar Bear Captivated the World	<i>Hatkoff</i>
My Senator and Me	<i>Kennedy</i>
Outside and Inside Mummies	<i>Markle</i>
Slippery, Slimy Baby Frogs	<i>Markle</i>
Now & Ben: the Modern Inventions of Benjamin Franklin	<i>Barretta</i>
Big Alaska: Journey Across America's Most Amazing State	<i>Miller</i>
Boy, Were We Wrong About Dinosaurs!	<i>Kudlinski</i>
Spiders	<i>Simon</i>
Horses	<i>Simon</i>
The Journey of the One and Only Declaration of Independence	<i>St. George</i>
How Sweet It Is (and Was): The History of Candy	<i>Swain</i>
Math-terpieces	<i>Tang.</i>
A Drop of Water	<i>Wick</i>

Adventure and Mystery	
The Seer of Shadows	<i>Avi</i>
The Mummy, the Will, and the Crypt	<i>Bellairs</i>
Tarot Says Beware: A Herculeah Jones Mystery	<i>Byars</i>
Stone Fox	<i>Gardiner</i>
My Side of the Mountain	<i>George</i>
Mickey and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure	<i>Gutman</i>
Flush	<i>Hiaasen</i>
Down the Yukon	<i>Hobbs</i>
Bunnica: A Rabbit-Tale of Mystery	<i>Howe</i>
Hatchet	<i>Paulsen</i>
A Series of Unfortunate Events	<i>Snicket</i>
Sammy Keyes Series	<i>VanDraanen</i>

Choose a book or author that is just right for you!

BHMCS Summer Reading is as easy as 1- 2 - 3!

1. Choose THREE “just right” books to read. For ideas, select a title from the list, a different title written by any of the authors on the list, a Newbery Medal winner, or a book recommended by a teacher or a librarian. We encourage all incoming 4th and 5th graders to read a book written by Andrew Clements, the featured author, as one of the three books.
2. Write the three titles and authors in the box below or on another piece of paper. Also, have your parent/guardian sign his or her name.
3. Bring your list to school so that you can share your super, sensational, summer reading with other readers.

Name:		Grade:
Title	Author	Parent's/Guardian's Signature
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2.	2.	2.
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