

## SUMMER READING LIST FOR FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADES

These books are only suggestions. Your local library and bookstores have thousands of great books from which to choose.

Reading Level: L for low, M for middle, and H for high.

### Adventure

<i>Crispin: The Cross of Lead</i> , Avi	H
<i>Help! I'm a Prisoner in the Library</i> , Clifford	M
<i>Fire on the Wind</i> , Crew	M
<i>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory</i> , Dahl	M
<i>The 13<sup>th</sup> Floor: A Ghost Story</i> , Fleischman	M
<i>Julie of the Wolves</i> , George	M
<i>Kon-Tiki</i> , Heyerdahl	H
<i>Everything on a Waffle</i> , Horvath	M
<i>From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankwater</i> , Konigsburg	M
<i>Number the Stars</i> , Lowry	H
<i>Saving Shiloh</i> , P.R. Naylor	M
<i>Hatchet</i> , Paulson	M
<i>The River</i> , Paulson	M
<i>The Heart of the Samurai</i> , Press	H
<i>Babysitting Is a Dangerous Job</i> , Roberts	M
<i>Crash</i> , Spinelli	M
<i>The Cay</i> , Taylor	H
<i>The Boxcar Children</i> , Warner	L
<i>Titanic Crossing</i> , Williams	H

### Biography

<i>Airborne: A Photobiography of Wilbur and Orville Wright</i> , Collins	M
<i>The Amazing Mr. Franklin: Or the Boy Who Read Everything</i> , Ashby	H
<i>Ben Franklin's Almanac: Being a True Account of the Gentlemen's Life</i> , Fleming	H
<i>Bicycle Madness</i> , Kurtz	M
<i>Blind Boone: Piano Prodigy</i> , Harrah	H
<i>The Boy on Fairfield Street: How Ted Geisel Grew Up to Become Dr. Seuss</i> , Krull	L
<i>Carl Sandburg: Adventures of a Poet</i> , Niven	M
<i>The Darling Nellie Bly: America's Star Reporter</i> , Christensen	M
<i>Demanding Justice: A Story About Mary Ann Shadd Cary</i> , Ferris	H
<i>Dvoák In America: In Search of the New World</i> , Horowitz	H
<i>Fight On! Mary Church Terrell's Battle for</i>	M

<i>Integration</i> , Fradin	
<i>Helen Keller: A Determined Life</i> , MacLeod	M
<i>High as a Hawk: A Brave Girl's Historic Climb</i> , Barron	M
<i>How Ben Franklin Stole the Lightning</i> , Schanzer	M
<i>Leonardo: Beautiful Dreamer</i> , Byrd	H
<i>The Man Who Made Time Travel</i> , Lasky	M
<i>My Brother Martin: A Sister Remembers Growing Up With the Rev. MLK, Jr.</i> , Farris	M
<i>Rabble Rousers: 20 Women Who Made a Difference</i> , Pitcairn	M
<i>Race for the Sky: The Kitty Hawk Diaries of L Johnny Moore</i> , Gutman	
<i>River Boy: The Story of Mark Twain</i> , Anderson	M
<i>Squirrel and John Muir</i> , McCully	L
<i>A Voice of Her Own: The Story of Phillis Wheatley, Slave Poet</i> , Lasky	M
<i>A Woman for President: The Story of Victoria Woodhull</i> , Krull	M

### Classics: Always Good Reading

<i>Little Women</i> , Alcott	H
<i>Tuck Everlasting</i> , Babbit	M
<i>National Velvet</i> , Bagnold	H
<i>The Incredible Journey</i> , Bunford	H
<i>The Secret Garden</i> , Burnett	H
<i>Summer of the Swans</i> , Byars	H
<i>Dear Mr. Henshaw</i> , Cleary	H
<i>Danny, Champion of the World</i> , Dahl	H
<i>Forever Amber Brown</i> , Danziger	L
<i>Homesick: My Own Story</i> , Fritz	M
<i>My Father's Dragon</i> , Gannett	M
<i>King of the Wind</i> , Henry	M
<i>Misty of Chincoteague</i> , Henry	M
<i>Babe, the Gallant Pig</i> , King-Smith	H
<i>Pippi Longstocking</i> , Lindgren	L
<i>Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle</i> , MacDonald	L
<i>Anne of Green Gables</i> , Montgomery	H
<i>Shiloh</i> , Naylor	H
<i>The Mystery of the Cupboard</i> , Newsom	H
<i>Rascal</i> , North	H
<i>Dominic</i> , Steig	H
<i>Charlotte's Web</i> , White	M
<i>Little House in the Big Woods</i> , Wilder	M
<i>Harry Potter</i> , Rowlings (the first two of the series)	H

## Historical Fiction

<i>I Lived on Butterfly Hill</i> , Agosin	H
<i>Before We Were Free</i> , Alvarez	H
<i>Pochantas and the Strangers</i> , Bulla	M
<i>Constance</i> , Clapp	H
<i>Bud, Not Buddy</i> , Curtis	M
<i>Elijah of Buxton</i> , Curtis	H
<i>The Courage of Sarah Noble</i> , Dagliesh	L
<i>Africa Is My Home</i> , Edinger	H
<i>Hoot</i> , Hiaasen	H
<i>Flush</i> , Hiaasen	H
<i>War Horse</i> , Morpurgo	H
<i>The Legend of Jimmy Spoon</i> , Gregory	L
<i>If You Grew Up with George Washington</i> , Gross	L
<i>How I Became an American</i> , Gündisch	M
<i>Witness</i> , Hesse	H
<i>The Lions of Little Rock</i> , Levine	M
<i>Sarah, Plain and Tall</i> , MacLachlan	L
The Dear America Series, Scholastic	Varied reading levels

## Humor

<i>No Dogs Allowed</i> , Cutler	L
<i>Make Like a Tree and Leave</i> , Danziger	L
<i>Love Among the Walnuts</i> , Ferris	M
<i>Burton and the Giggle Machine</i> , Haas	L
<i>Geeks, Girls, and Secret Identities</i> , Jung	L M
<i>Orp and the FBI</i> , Kline	M
<i>Chocolate-Covered Ants</i> , Manes	M
<i>The Boys Start the War</i> , Naylor	M
The Dunc Culpepper Series, Paulson	L
<i>Fourth Grade Rats</i> , Spinelli	M
<i>Surviving the Applewhites</i> , Tolan	M

## Mysteries and Scary Stories

<i>The Secret of the Underground Room</i> , Bellairs	H
<i>Ruby Holler</i> , Creech	M
<i>Mr. Chickee's Funny Money</i> , Curtis	M
<i>The Thief Lord</i> , Funke	M
The Hardy Boys Series, Dixon	M
The Nancy Drew Series, Keene	M
<i>Horror at the Haunted House</i> , Kehret	H
<i>Playing Beatie Bow</i> , Park	H
<i>Scared Stiff</i> , Roberts	M
<i>What Could Go Wrong</i> , Roberts	M
<i>Breadcrumbs</i> , Ursu	M

### Recent Award-Winners

<i>The Underneath</i> , Appelt	H
<i>Al Capone Does My Shirts</i> , Choldenko	M
<i>Flora and Ulysses: The Illuminated Adventures</i> , DiCamillo	M
<i>Dead End in Norvelt</i> , Gantos	H
<i>Penny from Heaven</i> , Holm	M
<i>The Fourteenth Goldfish</i> , Holm	M
<i>The Thing About Luck</i> , Kadohata	M
<i>The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate</i> , Kelly	H
<i>Hattie Big Sky</i> , Larson	H
<i>Where the Mountain Meets the Moon</i> , Lin	M
<i>Harlem: A Poem</i> , Myers	M
<i>The Higher Power of Lucky</i> , Patron	H
<i>The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg</i> , Philbrick	M
<i>Three Cups of Tea</i> , Mortenson and Relin	M
<i>The Dreamer</i> , Munoz Ryan	M
<i>The Wednesday Wars</i> , Schmidt	H
<i>Splendors and Glooms</i> , Shultz	H
<i>When You Reach Me</i> , Stead	H
<i>Moon Over Manifest</i> , Vanderpoole	H
<i>Paperboy</i> , Vawter	H
<i>One Crazy Summer</i> , Williams-Garcia	M
<i>Brown Girl Dreaming</i> : Jacqueline Woodson	H

### School, Family, and Friends

<i>Amalia</i> , Ada	M
<i>Stand Tall</i> , Bauer	M
<i>Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing</i> , Blume	M
<i>The Lemonade Trick</i> , Corbett	L
<i>The Baseball Bargain</i> , Corbett	M
<i>Everyone Else's Parents Said Yes</i> , Danziger	M
<i>Nothing's Fair in Fifth Grade</i> , DeClements	M
<i>Georgie Lee</i> , Denslow	M
<i>Pictures of Hollis Woods</i> , Giff	M
<i>The Kid Who Ran for President</i> , Gutman	M
<i>Runaway Radish</i> , Haas	M
<i>Teacher's Pet</i> , Hurwitz	M
<i>Ellie Brady Hates Mr. G</i> , Johnston	M
<i>Radio Fifth Grade</i> , Korman	M
<i>Rules</i> , Lord	H
<i>Flip</i> , Lubar	H

<i>Hidden Talents</i> , Lubar	H
<i>A Corner of the Universe</i> , Martin	M
<i>Rain Reign</i> , Martin	M
<i>A Book of Coupons</i> , Morgenstern	M
<i>Wonder</i> , Palacio	H
<i>A Single Shard</i> , Park	M
<i>Rosie Swanson: Fourth Grade Geek for President</i> , Park	M
<i>Jackson Jones and Mission Greentop</i> , Quattlebaum	M
<i>The Schwa Was Here</i> , Shusterman	H
<i>Crazy Weekend</i> , Soto	M
<i>Baseball in April and Other Stories</i> , Soto	H
<i>There's a Girl in My Hammerlock</i> , Spinelli	M
<i>Candy Shop</i> , Wahl	L

### Science Fiction and Fantasy

<i>The Book of Three</i> , Alexander	H
<i>Zoo</i> , Chick	M
<i>Artemis Fowl</i> , Eoin Colfer	H
<i>Aliens Ate My Homework</i> , Coville	M
<i>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane</i> , DiCamillo	M
<i>The Ropemaker</i> , Dickinson	H
<i>Aliens for Lunch</i> , Etra	L
<i>Aliens for Breakfast</i> , Etra and Spinner	L
<i>My Life Among the Aliens</i> , Gauthier	L
<i>Ella Enchanted</i> , Levine	M
<i>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe</i> , Lewis	H
<i>The 68 Rooms</i> , Malone	M
<i>The Borrowers</i> , Norton	M
<i>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</i> , O'Brien	M
<i>Golden Compass series</i> , Pullman	H
<i>Percy Jackson series</i> , Riordan	H
<i>Stinker from Space</i> , Service	M

### Sports

<i>The Crossover</i> , Alexander	H
<i>S.O.R., Losers</i> , Avi	L
<i>Ice Magic</i> , Christopher	M
<i>Undercover Tailback</i> , Christopher	M
<i>Herbie Jones and the Monster Ball</i> , Kline	L
<i>The Toilet Paper Tigers</i> , Korman	L
<i>The Zucchini Warriors</i> , Korman	L
<i>The Trading Game</i> , Slotte	L
<i>Soccer Mania</i> , Tamar	L