

## Summer of 2008 Required Reading List

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### Required:

The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle  
Ten Black Dots by Donald Crews  
Ten Apples Up on Top by Theo Lesieg  
Go Dog Go by P. D. Eastman

### Plus choose two of the following:

One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish by Dr. Seuss  
The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss  
The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle  
Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel  
Olivia by Ian Falconer  
Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown  
Chicken Soup with Rice by Maurice Sendak

2<sup>nd</sup>

### Required:

Curious George by H.A. Rey  
George promised to be good. But it is easy for little monkeys to forget.

### Plus choose one of the following:

Arthur's Pet Business by Marc Brown  
"I'll take care of other people's pets," said Arthur, "then Mom and Dad will know I can take care of my own."

Are You My Mother? by P.D. Eastman  
"I did have a mother," said the baby bird. "I know I did. I have to find her."

Robert the Rose Horse by [Joan Heilbroner](#)  
Robert was a happy little horse. He lived on a farm.

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes  
And, best of all, she had a brand new purple plastic purse that played a jaunty tune when it was opened.

Oliver by Syd Hoff  
Some elephants came across the ocean on a ship. They were going to work in the circus. One elephant's name was Oliver.

Tacky the Penguin by [Helen Lester](#)  
There once lived a penguin. His home was a nice icy land he shared with his companions.

Mr. Putter & Tabby Pick the Pears by [Cynthia Rylant](#)  
At last it's time to pick the pears! Mr. Putter and his cat Tabby hatch a zany plan for bringing in the harvest.

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**Required:**

The Chalkbox Kid by Clyde Robert Bella

**Plus one Non-Fiction book of your choice**

4<sup>th</sup>

**Required:**

No Talking by Andrew Clements,

**Plus choose two of the following:**

The Stinky Cheese Man and other Fairly Stupid Tales by Jon Scieszka and Lane Smith

Chocolate Covered Ants by Stephen Manes

Digging Up Tyrannosaurus Rex by John R. Horner and Don Lessem

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

5<sup>th</sup>

**Required:**

From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E. L. Konigsburg.

**Plus choose two of the following:**

Frindle, Landry News, Lunch Money, or Report Card by Andrew Clements

On My Honor by Marion Dane Bauer

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane or Tiger Rising by Kate DiCamillo

Heat, Summer Ball or Travel Team by Mike Lupica

Camp Confidential Series by Melissa Morgan

Holes or There is a Boy in the Girls Bathroom by Louis Sachar

Eggs or Loser by Jerry Spinelli

6<sup>th</sup>

**Note:** A total of three books must be read

**Required:**

Things Hoped For - Andrew Clements

**Plus choose one book from below and any other book of your choice.**

Crash - Jerry Spinelli

Brian's Winter - Gary Paulsen

Pictures of Hollis Woods - Patricia Reilly Giff

Maniac Magee - Jerry Spinelli

A Wrinkle in Time - Madeleine L'Engle

7<sup>th</sup>

**Required:**

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry

**Plus choose one of the following AND any other NON FICTION book of your choice.**

Jacob Have I Loved by Katherine Paterson

Stargirl by Jerry Spinelli

The Midwife's Apprentice by Bryan Leister

The Thief by Megan Whalen Turner

Wringer by Jerry Spinelli

8<sup>th</sup>

**Required:**

The Shakespeare Stealer by Gary Blackwood

The Cheat by Amy Goldman Koss

**CHOICE BOOK:**

**NON FICTION:** an account or representation of a subject as fact.

This summer you are to read one book that is considered non fiction. It may be about history, science, a hobby, autobiography, biography, or any other book that will be of interest to you. It **MUST** be non fiction. It must be at least 150 pages in length. Take notes as you go along. You will be required to prepare a presentation on your chosen book. Details will be given in September.