

SUMMER READING

Summer 2009

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

One of the most meaningful and enjoyable activities of the summer is reading. Reading can fill your child's days with the love of stories and the fascination of factual reading. That is why students should be given the opportunity to choose the books they would love to read. The summer reading list is just a suggested selection guide. Students should feel free to select books that are not on the list with parental guidance. They should choose books they can read independently, as well as books they can read with their parents. Books are available in Spanish. The librarians at the Norwalk Public Library can assist with appropriate book selections and provide additional suggestions.

Please observe the following guidelines for an enjoyable summer reading experience:

- ❖ Read at least seven (7) books this summer.
- ❖ Read a variety of books. Students can read books that are entertaining as well as informational books. Students should not limit themselves to one kind of book.
- ❖ Record the title, author, type of book (genre), and date completed on a reading list.
- ❖ Write a response to at least one book read.
- ❖ Bring the completed reading list and response back to school the first week of September.

The reader response sheet is attached to the summer reading list. Both branches of the Norwalk Public Library will have copies of the summer reading list and attached materials. The summer reading list will also be posted on their website, www.norwalklib.org.

We wish to thank the Norwalk Public Library for their help and continued support to make our summer reading a success.

Thank you for participating in the summer reading program.

Best regards,

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Norwalk Public Library (South Norwalk Branch)



LECTURA DE VERANO

Verano del 2009

Estimados estudiantes, padres/guardianes:

Una de las actividades más significantes y provechosas es la lectura, los estudiantes deben escoger los libros que les gustaría leer. La lista de lectura para el verano es solamente una guía de sugerencia. Los estudiantes tienen la libertad de escoger libros que no estén en la lista con la ayuda de sus padres. Los estudiantes pueden escoger libros que puedan leer independientemente así como libros que puedan leer en compañía de sus padres. También existen libros disponibles en español. El bibliotecario/a del departamento de niños de las Bibliotecas de Norwalk puede ayudarle con la selección de sus libros así como hacerle sugerencias adicionales.

Por favor siga las siguientes normas para tener una experiencia agradable de lectura en el verano:

- ❖ Leer al menos (7) libros este verano. Leer por lo menos siete libros este verano ayudará al estudiante a mantener el nivel de lectura que adquirió durante el año escolar.
- ❖ Los estudiantes deben de leer una variedad de libros, pueden leer libros de diversión así como libros de información, no se deben de limitar solamente a una clase de libros.
- ❖ A hacer un listado al terminar de leer el libro, con el nombre, el autor, el género del libro y la fecha en que terminó la lectura.
- ❖ Escribir un resumen por lo menos de uno de estos libros.
- ❖ Traer la lista completa de las lecturas y el resumen del libro a la escuela la última semana de agosto.

La lista de lecturas y el resumen del libro deben adjuntarse al listado de recomendaciones de lectura para el verano. Las dos bibliotecas públicas de Norwalk, tendrán la lista de recomendaciones de lectura y los materiales necesarios; este listado también será puesto en su página del Internet que es www.norwalklib.org.

Gracias por participar en el programa de lectura de verano.

Respetuosamente,

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Bibliotecas públicas de Norwalk

Sherelle Harris, Gerente de Servicios de Niños
Bibliotecas públicas de Norwalk

Elementary Summer Reading List

Entering Kindergarten

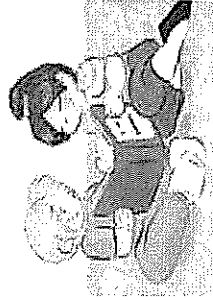
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>
Caps For Sale	Esphyr Slobodkina
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom	John Archambault
Corduroy	Don Freeman
Harry the Dirty Dog	Gene Zion
Have You Seen My Duckling?	Nancy Tafuri
Look What I Can Do	Jose Aruego
Make Way for Ducklings	Robert McCloskey
Martha Speaks	Susan Meddaugh
Rain	Peter Spier
26 Letters and 99 Cents	Tana Hoban

SUGGESTED SERIES

Miss Kindergarten books ~ Joseph Slate
Books about Jamaica ~ Juanita Havill
Books about Pinkerton ~ Steven Kellogg

SUGGESTED AUTHORS

Frank Asch, Jan Brett, Eric Carle, Donald Crews,
Ezra Jack Keats, Dr. Seuss, Nancy Shaw



Entering First Grade

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>
Ask Mr. Bear	Marjorie Flack
The Carrot Seed	Ruth Krauss
Chair for My Mother	Vera Williams
The Chick and the Duckling	Mirra Ginsburg
Cookie's Week	Cindy Ward
Five Monkeys Jumping on the Bed	Eileen Christelow
Leo the Late Bloomer	Robert Krauss
My Visit to the Aquarium	Aliki
The Mysterious Tadpole	Steven Kellogg
Titch	Pat Hutchins

SUGGESTED SERIES

Frog and Toad Books ~ Arnold Lobel
Just For You Series ~ Various Authors
Henry and Mudge Series ~ Kevin Henkes

SUGGESTED AUTHORS

Nancy Carlson, PD Eastman, Syd Hoff, Arnold Lobel



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Entering Second Grade

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>GENRE</u>
Addie's Bad Day	Joan Robins	HF
Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain	Verna Aardema	TL
Buffalo Bill and the Pony Express	Eleanor Coerr	B
The Enormous Crocodile	Raold Dahl	F
Freckle Juice	Judy Blume	RF
From the Doghouse: Items to Chew On	Amy Sklansky	P
Gregory, The Terrible Eater	Mitchell Sharmat	F
Miss Spider's Tea Party	Daniel Kirk	F
Stone Soup	Marsha Brown	TL
The Quilt Story	T. Johnson	HF

SUGGESTED SERIES

Books about Little Critter ~ Mercer Mayer
 Books about Miss Nelson ~ Harry Allard
 Amelia Bedelia Books ~ Peggy Parish
 Henry and Mudge ~ Cynthia Rylant
 Arthur Books ~ Marc Brown
 Cam Jansen Mysteries ~ David Adler
 Nate the Great Series ~ Marjorie Weinman Sharmat

SUGGESTED AUTHORS

Beverly Cleary, Tomie DePaola, Patricia Reilly Giff,
 Kevin Henkes, Lillian Hoban, Valerie Wilson Wes

Genre Key
HF - Historical Fiction
RF - Realistic Fiction
B - Biography
I - Information
F - Fantasy
TL - Traditional Tale
SF - Science Fiction

Entering Third Grade

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>GENRE</u>
26 Fairmont Avenue	Tomie DePaola	B
Gooseberry Park	Cynthia Rylant	F
El Chino	Allen Say	B
I Was a Third Grade Spy	Mary Jane Auch	RF
The Gadget War	Betsy Duffey	RF
Lily and Miss Liberty	Carla Stevens	HF
Summer Reading is Killing Me!	Jon Scieszka	F
How a Book is Made	Ailiki	I
It's Raining Pigs & Noodles	Jack Prelutsky	P

SUGGESTED AUTHORS/SERIES

Books by Gail Gibbons
 Books about Amber Brown ~ Paula Danziger
 Books about Herbie Jones ~ Suzy Kline
 The Time Warp Trio Series ~ Jon Scieszka
 Magic School Bus Series ~ Joanna Cole/Bruce Degen
 Magic Treehouse Series ~ Mary Pope Osborne
 Books by Patricia Rielly Giff
 True Book Series
 Pioneer Daughters Series

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Entering Grade Four

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>GENRE</u>
Dear Mr. Henshaw	Beverly Cleary	RF
Mr. Popper's Penguins	Richard Atwater	F
Frindle	Andrew Clements	RF
Help! I'm a Prisoner in the Library	Eth Clifford	RF
Max & Me and the Time Machine	Gery Greer	SF
Star in the Storm	Joan Hiatt Harlow	RF
Picasso	Mikc Venezia	B
How to Eat Fried Worms	Thomas Rockwell	F
Loser	Jerry Spinelli	F
Go Free or Die: The Story of Harriet Tubman	Jeri Ferris	B

SUGGESTED AUTHORS/SERIES

American Girl Series
 Books about Fudge ~ Judy Blume
 Books about Ramona Quimby ~ Beverly Cleary
 Sammy Keyes Mysteries ~ Wendelin Van Draanen
 Books by Jean Fritz
 Encyclopedia Brown Series ~ Donald Sabol
 Dear America Series / My America Series
 True Book Series ~ Childrens' Publisher

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Entering Grade Five

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>GENRE</u>
Bridge to Terabithia	Katherine Paterson	F
The Computer Nut	Betsy Byars	SF
The Boggart	Susan Cooper	F
Bud Not Buddy	Christopher Curtis	RF
Holes	Louis Sachar	RF
Pride of Puerto Rico: The Life of Roberto Clemente	Robert Paul Walker	B
Flying With the Eagle, Racing the Great Bear	Joseph Bruchac	TL
The 13 th Floor	Fleischman	F
Nasty Stinking Sneakers	Eve Bunting	F
Skeleton Man	Joseph Bruchac	TL

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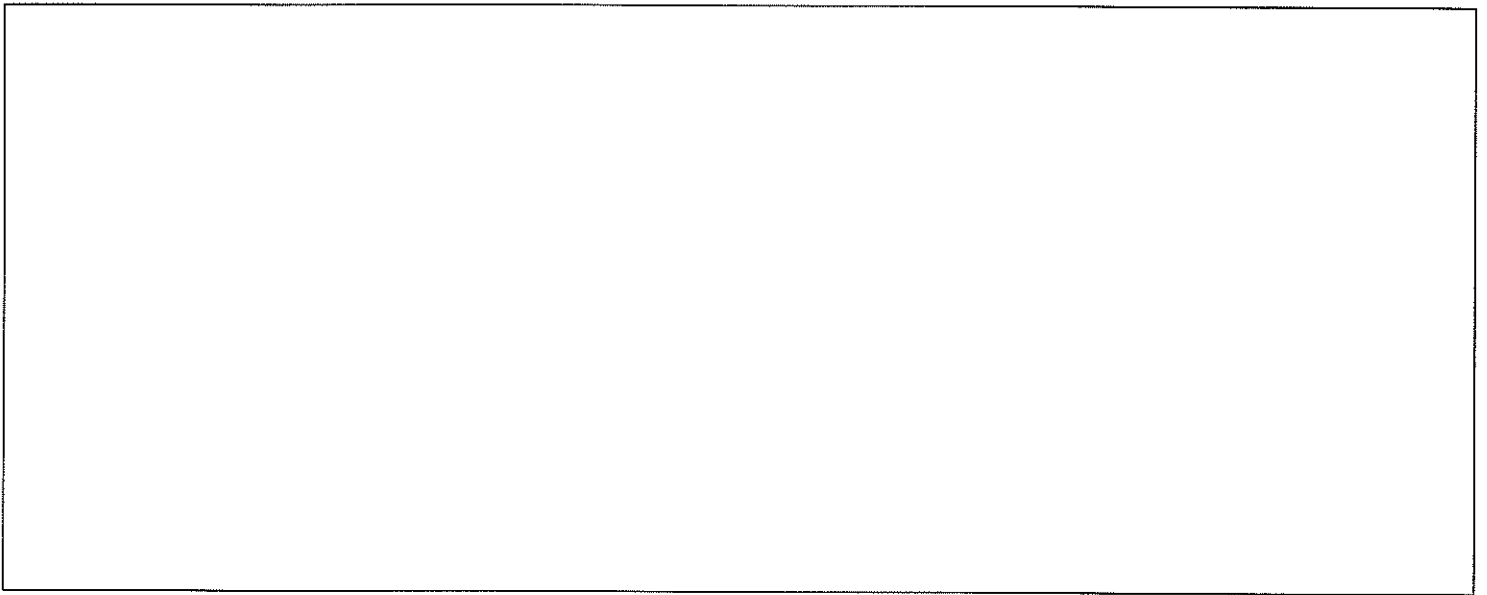
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 Books by Susan Cooper
 Dear America / My America Series
 Royal Diary Series
 New True Book Series ~ Childrens' Press

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Reader Response #1
Grades K – 2

Choose your book and draw a picture of the important parts. Write about your picture.

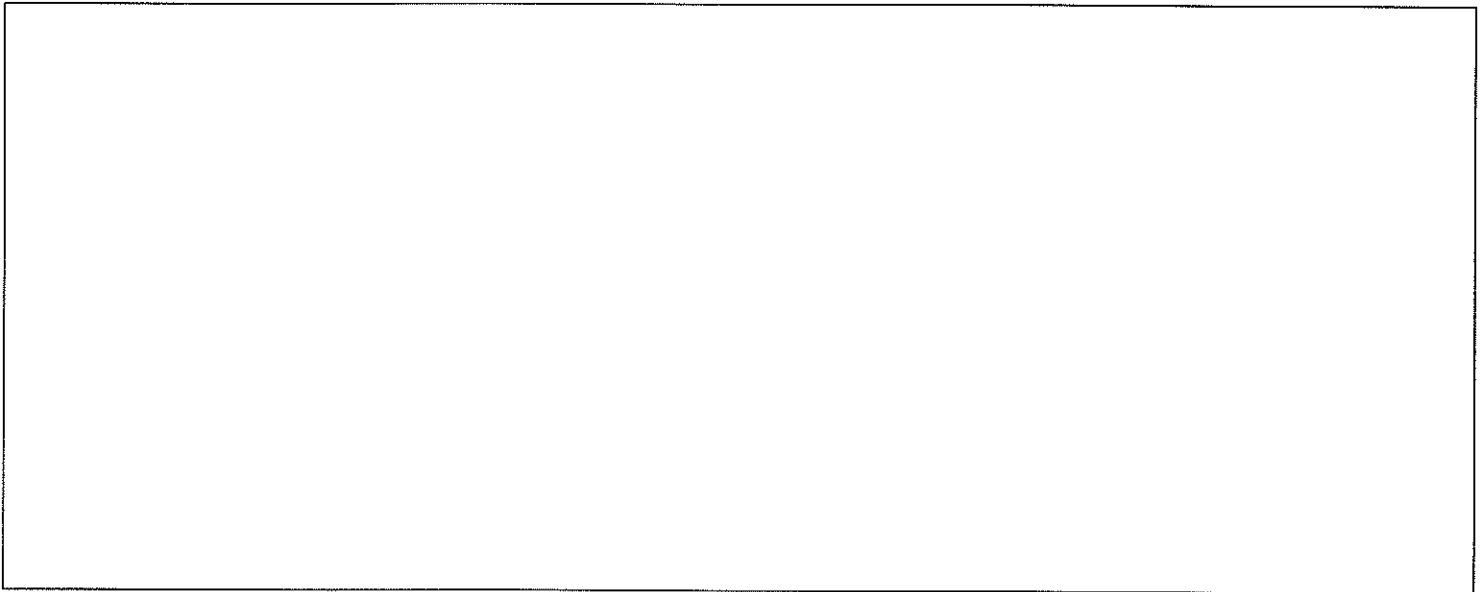
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Summer 2009
Reader Response #2
Grades K – 2

Choose your book and draw a picture of the important parts. Write about your picture.

Date: _____ *Title:* _____



Summer 2009 Reader Response Grades 3 - 5



Please choose *one* book you have read and *one* response.

1. Write a letter to one of the characters in this book.

You may include questions you are wondering about or connections you made.

2. What could be another title for this book?

Explain your answer using information from the book.

3. Imagine you were going to give a talk to your class about the information in your book.

Use what you learned from the text to support your talk.
