

Rising 5th-Grade Summer Reading

*“There is no such thing as a child who hates to read;
there are only children who have not found the right book.”*
– Frank Serafini

You are on your honor not to select books you have previously read independently or studied in any class.

History. Please select at least **one** of these books to enhance your studies of Veterans Day, Colonial America, and the Revolutionary War in fifth grade.

- Sophia's War: A Tale of the Revolution* by Avi
- Stubby the War Dog: The True Story of World War I's Bravest Dog* by Ann Bauser
- Who Were the Navajo Code Talkers?* by James Buckley
- A True Patriot: The Journal of William Thomas Emerson, a Revolutionary War Patriot, Boston, Massachusetts, 1774* by Barry Denenberg
- The Winter of Red Snow: The Diary of Abigail Jane Stewart, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, 1777* by Kristiana Gregory
- Lorenzo and the Turncoat* by Lila and Rick Guzmán
- African Americans and the Revolutionary War* by Judith E. Harper
- A Journey to the New World: The Diary of Remember Patience Whipple, Mayflower, 1620* by Kathryn Lasky
- African American War Heroes* by James B. Martin
- Look to the Hills: The Diary of Lozette Moreau, a French Slave Girl, New York Colony, 1763* by Patricia McKissack
- The Journal of Jasper Jonathan Pierce: A Pilgrim Boy, Plymouth, 1620* by Ann Rinaldi
- Remembering Our Heroes: Veterans Day* by Kelly Rodgers
- Crispus Attucks and African American Patriots of the American Revolution* by Brian Siddons
- I Survived the Battle of D-Day, 1944* by Lauren Tarshis
- I Survived The Bombing of Pearl Harbor, 1941* by Lauren Tarshis
- I Survived the Revolutionary War* by Lauren Tarshis
- Japanese American Internment Camps (Heroes of World War II)* by Laura Hamilton Waxman

Battle of the Books. Please read at least one of these books.

Christopher, John	<i>The White Mountains</i> (Tripods Series #1)
Christopher, Matt	<i>Ice Magic</i>
Edwards, Roberta	<i>Who Was Neil Armstrong?</i>
George, Jean Craighead	<i>My Side of the Mountain</i>
Grabenstein, Chris	<i>Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library</i>
Hale, Shannon	<i>The Princess Academy</i>
Jones, Kelly	<i>Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer</i>
Korman, Gordon	<i>Masterminds</i>
Levine, Gail Carson	<i>Ella Enchanted</i>
Lowry, Lois	<i>Number the Stars</i>
Magras, Diane	<i>The Mad Wolf's Daughter</i>
Mull, Brandon	<i>Candy Shop War</i>
Palacio, R.J.	<i>Wonder</i>
Paulsen, Gary	<i>Hatchet</i>

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Roberts, Willo Davis	<i>Scared Stiff</i>
Sachar, Louis	<i>Holes</i>
Vernick, Audrey	<i>Brothers at Bat: . . . Amazing All-Brother Baseball Team</i>
Wiles, Deborah	<i>Love, Ruby Lavender</i>
Winthrop, Elizabeth	<i>The Castle in the Attic</i>

Free Choice! You may select any work of fiction or nonfiction of your own choice. If you're having trouble making a choice, here are some suggestions:

- Return to Sender* by Julia Alvarez
- The Girl Who Drank the Moon* by Kelly Barnhill
- The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne
- Masterpiece* by Elise Broach
- Awkward* by Svetlana Chmakova
- New Kid* by Jerry Craft
- Walk Two Moons* or *Ruby Holler* by Sharon Creech
- Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis
- Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper
- City of Ember: the First Book of Ember* by Jeanne DuPrau
- Enchanted Air* by Margarita Engle
- Fortunately, the Milk* by Neil Gaiman
- The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise* by Dan Gemeinhart
- On the Far Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George
- Pictures of Hollis Woods* by Patricia Giff
- Found* by Margaret P. Haddix
- The People Could Fly* by Virginia Hamilton
- Ida B . . . and Her Plans to Maximize Fun . . .* by Katherine Hannigan
- Little Leaders* by Vashti Harrison
- Scary Stories for Young Foxes* by Christian McKay Heidicker
- Our Only May Amelia* by Jennifer Holm
- The Math Inspectors* by Daniel Kennedy and Emily Boever
- The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster
- Regarding the Fountain: A Tale, in Letters . . .* by Kate Klise
- Worth* by A. LaFay
- Feeding the Young Athlete: Sports Nutrition Made Easy for Players, Parents, and Coaches* by Cynthia Lair
- The Leaf Detective: How Margaret Lowman Uncovered Secrets in the Rainforest* by Heather Lang
- Savvy* by Ingrid Law
- Bravo!: Poems About Amazing Hispanics* by Margarita Engle and illustrated by Rafael Lopez
- Rules* by Cynthia Lord
- Snow Treasure* by Marie McSwigan
- War Horse* by Michael Morpurgo
- The False Prince* by Jennifer A. Nielsen
- A Single Shard* by Linda Sue Park
- Bridge to Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson
- Middle School, The Worst Years of My Life* by James Patterson
- Summer of the Monkeys* by Wilson Rawls

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- Lost in the River of Grass* by Ginny Rorby
- Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by J.K. Rowling
- Night of the Twisters* by Ivy Ruckman
- Counting by 7s* by Holly Sloan
- Elephant Run* by Roland Smith
- All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team* by Christina Soontornvat
- The Bad Beginning: A Series of Unfortunate Events* by Lemony Snicket
- The Egypt Game* by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
- Who Was Walt Disney* by Whitney Stewart
- Chasing Lincoln's Killer* by James L. Swanson
- Surviving the Applewhites* by Stephanie S. Tolan
- The Running Dream* by Wendelin Van Draanen
- Harbor Me* by Jacqueline Woodson
- Dealing With Dragons: The Enchanted Forest . . .* by Patricia Wrede