



## SRL Summer Reading 2025



Summer is here! Let's take advantage of the extra time and enjoy a great book! Reading can be just as enjoyable as your favorite movie and even it's proven to make you a more successful student!

Below is a list of requirements for our summer reading program. Refer to the grade level your child will enter in Fall 2024 for the summer reading assignments. Please reference your child's independent reading level (IRL) for the other "student choice" books. The IRL can be located by logging into their AR account, where they can obtain their ZPD, or reading level range. To help select books at your student's ZPD level go to [www.arbookfind.com](http://www.arbookfind.com), click on advanced search and indicate the ZPD range. New families are encouraged to discuss reading levels with their child's classroom teacher.

**Entering Grades 1-3: Read AT LEAST five (5) books: (1) book must be the required selection below and (1) should be non-fiction. Complete an activity of your choice using the Book Report Choice Board below for any one of the books you have read.**

Grade 1 Required Book: My New Friend is So Fun! by Mo Willems

Grade 2 Required Book: Get Ready for Second Grade, Amber Brown by Paula Danziger

Grade 3 Required Book: Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

**Entering Grades 4-5: Read at least two (2) books: (1) book must be the required selection below and the other book may be chosen by the student but according to his/her ZPD (reading level range). Complete an activity of your choice using the Book Report Choice Board below for any one of the books you have read.**

Grade 4 Required Book: HOLES by Louis Sachar

Grade 5 Required Book: A Night Divided by Jennifer Nielsen

Book Report Choice Board		
Imagine the book is being made into a movie. Create, perform and record a <b>MOVIE TRAILER</b> . Must include a written script.	Make a <b>COLLAGE</b> with a mix of images and text. Must represent knowledge of characters, setting, and plot.	Design a <b>COMIC STRIP</b> illustrating a major scene in the book. Must be neat and colorful.
Write a <b>TEST</b> with at least 25 questions. Must include an Answer Key and a variety of question types.	Make a <b>DIORAMA</b> that depicts a major scene in the book. Must include characters, setting, and plot.	Create a <b>FOOD</b> related to your story. Write up a recipe card to share with your class. Include an explanation of how this food represents your book.
Make a new <b>BOOK JACKET</b> for your book. Look in your local library for design inspiration.	Write a <b>REVIEW</b> of the book. Explain your favorite and least favorite parts of the plot, characters, ending, etc.	Conduct a fictional <b>INTERVIEW</b> with a main character. Ask questions related to the storyline.

**Entering Grades 6-8: Students are required to choose and read one book from any of the options below and be ready to take a test upon their return to school.**

Night by Elie Wiesel

Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

All the Broken Places by John Boyne

Chains by Laurie Halse Anderson

Lord of the Flies by William Golding

The Talking Earth by Jean Craighead George

Refugee by Alan Gratz

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*Are you looking for more good books to read during the summer? Here are a few faves recommended by SRL students!*

For Incoming 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders:

TITLE	AUTHOR
7x9=Trouble	Claudia Mills
The Buried Bones Mystery	Sharon M. Draper
I Survived the Joplin Tornado	Lauren Tarshis
Miami Jackson Gets It Straight	Patricia McKissack
The Great Cake Mystery	Alexander McCall Smith
Who was Kobe Bryant?	Ellen Labrecque
Charlie Jo Jackson's Summer Vacation	Tommy Greenwald

For Incoming 4<sup>th</sup> Graders:

TITLE	AUTHOR
The Crossover	Kwame Alexander
Lucky Broken Girl	Ruth Behar
Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library	Chris Grabenstein
Flora & Ulysses: The Illuminated Adventures	Kate DiCamillo
Amina's Voice	Henna Khan
A Splash of Red: The Life and Art of Horace Pippin	Jen Bryant

For Incoming 5<sup>th</sup> Graders:

TITLE	AUTHOR
The Wild Robot	Peter Brown
The War That Saved My Life	Roald Dahl
The Wiloughbys	Lois Lowry
President of the Whole Fifth Grade	Sherrie Winston
The Bad Beginning	Lemony Snicket
Matilda	Roald Dahl
What is the Declaration of Independence	Michael Harris