

Summer Literacy Homework Students Entering 5TH GRADE

FAQ: WILL HAVING MY CHILD READ HARDER BOOKS HELP THEM GET STRONGER AT READING? NO! EXACTLY THE OPPOSITE CAN HAPPEN!

- To develop strength as a reader, children need lots of time to read many books that are “just right” for their abilities.
- When in doubt, help your child select books that feel friendly or familiar to other books that they have enjoyed. Also, check out series books. Not only is it fun to follow familiar characters through new adventures, but reading through a book series can help readers grow! Please help your child select books that you are confident that your child can read independently.

FAQ: MY CHILD REALLY CAN READ HARDER BOOKS THROUGH - AND WANTS TO! THEY CAN READ ALL THE WAY THROUGH WITHOUT MAKING MISTAKES AND KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE STORY. ARE YOU SURE THAT I SHOULDN'T GIVE THEM MUCH HARDER BOOKS? GOOD QUESTION, BUT PROCEED WITH CAUTION!

- If your child is desperate to read a harder book, read it aloud together! Their ability to comprehend a story by listening to it read aloud is much higher than their ability to understand it alone. This way you can discuss more mature themes together.

Summer E.L.A. Homework

1. Read at least one non-fiction book and one fiction book.
2. Keep a summer journal. Record at least one response for each book. Additionally, record at least 10 entries about your summer. Bring your journal on the first day of school.

Math Homework

All multiplication facts up to 12 must be mastered! Also, practice long division and multi-digit multiplication. The efficiency and accuracy of your math facts will be assessed throughout the first month of school.

Summer Reading Suggestions

Level O Fiction

CHOCOLATE FEVER
HENRY (SERIES)
RAMONA (SERIES)

R. SMITH
B. CLEARY
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Level O Non-Fiction

I AM ROSA PARKS
THE STORY OF RUBY BRIDGES
WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA, BEN FRANKLIN?

PARKS & HASKINS
R. COLES
J. FRITZ

Level P Fiction

FANTASTIC MR. FOX
MAGIC SCHOOL BUS SERIES
WAYSIDE SCHOOL (SERIES)

R. DAHL
J. COLE
L. SACHAR

Level P Non-Fiction

THE LAND I LOST
ROSA PARKS
WHAT ARE YOU FIGURING NOW?

Q. HUYNH
E. GREENFIELD
J. FERRIS

Level Q Fiction

ALIENS ATE MY HOMEWORK
JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH
JUST JUICE

B. COLVILLE
R. DAHL
K. HESSE

Level Q Non-Fiction

WALKING THE ROAD TO FREEDOM
IF YOUR NAME WAS CHANGED AT ELLIS ISLAND
IF YOU LIVED IN THE TIME OF M.L.K.

J. FERRIS
E. LEVINE
LEVINE & PECK

Level R Fiction

BECAUSE OF WINN-DIXIE
HATCHETT
CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE
FACTORY

K. DICAMILLO
G. PAULSON
R. DAHL

Level R Non-Fiction

SADAKO AND THE THOUSAND PAPER CRANES
DAYS OF COURAGE: THE LITTLE ROCK STORY
MY DREAM OF MARTIN LUTHER KING

E. COERR
R. KELSO
F. RINGGOLD

Level S Fiction

BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA
LETTERS FROM RIFKA
MY TEACHER IS AN ALIEN

K. PATERSON
K. HESSE
B. COLVILLE

Level S Non-Fiction

OUT OF DARKNESS
A MORE PERFECT UNION
TWO TICKETS TO FREEDOM: THE REAL STORY

R. FREEMAN
B. MAESTRO
F. FREEDMAN

Level T Fiction

LOVE THAT DOG
BUD, NOT BUDDY
THE LION, THE WITCH, THE
WARDROBE

S. CREECH
C.P. CURTIS
C.S. LEWIS

Level T Non-Fiction

IMMIGRANTS
FREEDOM TRAIN
THE DRED SCOTT DECISION

M.W. SANDLER
D. STERLING
CORNERSTONES
OF FREEDOM

Level U Fiction

TANGERINE
FLIPPED
REPORT TO THE PRINCIPAL'S
OFFICE

E. BLOOR
W. VAN DRAANEN
J. SPINELLI

Level U Non-Fiction

A PLACE CALLED HEARTBREAK
ROSA PARKS
LA CAUSA: THE MIGRANT FARMWORKER'S
STORY

W.D. MYERS
R. PARKS
D.C. DERUIZ

Level V Fiction

THE BAD BEGINNING
A WRINKLE IN TIME
CHASING REDBIRD

L. SNICKET
M. L'ENGLE
S. CREECH

Level V Non-Fiction

THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD
SHH! WE'RE WRITING THE CONSTITUTION
TASTE OF SALT: THE STORY OF MODERN
HAITI

R. BIAL
J. FRITZ
F. TEMPLE