Dear Rising 5th Grader,
Summer vacation is almost here! We hope that you make it a time to REST, RELAX, READ but above all ENJOY!

Reading, like a sport, involves practice and skill. The more you practice the better and more confident reader you will become!!

We would like you to practice your reading skills over the summer so that you enter 5th grade ready for all of the wonderful learning we have planned for you.

Directions: 1. Read three books over the summer.
   2. Complete a “5th Grade Summer Story Map” for each of the books you read.
   3. AT LEAST ONE BOOK must be written by one of the authors listed below. The other two books you read are free choice.
   4. Feel free to go above and beyond! The more books the better!

We hope you have a great summer and can’t wait to see you in the fall!

Love,
Ms. Fallon, Ms. Perkins, and Mrs. Hegarty

Suggested Authors List
Katherine Applegate
Peter Brown
Sharon Creech
Kate DiCamillo
Jeanne DuPrau
Cornelia Funke
Daniel Handler
Gordon Korman
Jennifer Nielsen
Lincoln Pierce
Dav Pilkey
Jason Reynolds
Rick Riordan
J.K. Rowling
Rachel Renee Russell
Lemony Snicket
Tui T. Sutherland
Lauren Tarshis
Raina Telgemeier
Rita Williams-Garcia
Jacqueline Woodson
5th Grade Summer Story Map

Directions: Complete the following Story Map for the novel you read over the summer.

Title: ________________________________

Author: ________________________________

List Three or More Important Characters:

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Important Details about the Setting:

Where: _________________________________________________________________
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When: _________________________________________________________________
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The problem, or conflict, in this story is _________________________________
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The solution, or resolution to the problem happens when _____________________
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