

Required Responses for Summer Reading

For each book read, students should select one response question and thoroughly answer it. For students going into grades 2-3, parents may write answers dictated by the student. Each response paper should include: Student Name, Name of Book, and Number of Response Question

Responses for Students Going Into Grades 6 - 8

1. Write an alternative ending for this book. Then write how the book really ended.
2. Before reading make a prediction of what you think will happen; after reading, what did happen. Write a summary.
3. Make a story chart detailing the setting, characters (including hero, villain, and helpers), theme, problem/ lack, and solution.
4. List some of the conflicts/ problems of the book. Then choose one of these conflicts and describe how this conflict is carried out in the book.
5. Compare and contrast this book with another book you have read recently.
6. Discuss how one character in the story experiences an important change throughout the story. Write a 3 paragraph essay explaining what your character was like in the beginning of the story, in the middle, and how your character changed at the end.

Responses for Students Going Into Grades 4 - 5

7. If you could be any character from the book, who would you be and why?
8. Write a short summary of the book (7-9 sentences) and an additional paragraph (5 or more sentences) that gives your opinion of the book.
9. Pick two characters from the book. Write a paragraph describing each one. Then write a third paragraph comparing the two characters. Be sure to include both their likes and differences.

Responses for Students Going Into Grades 2 - 3

10. Draw a picture of your favorite part of the book. Write a short description about what you have drawn.
11. Pick one character from the book. Make a list of at least 6 things you liked about this character.

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Second Grade

Literature: *The Little House* by Virginia Lee Burton

History: *Tut's Mummy: Lost . . . and Found* by Judy Donnelly

And any two from this list:

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish

Click, Clack, Moo by Doreen Cronin

The Complete Tales of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter

Curious George by H. A. Rey

Doctor DeSoto by William Steig

The Emperor's New Clothes by Ruth Gross

Hondo and Fabian by Peter McCarty

How Much Is a Million? by David M. Schwartz

Inch by Inch by Leo Lionni

The Little Engine That Could by Wally Piper

Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey

Mike Mulligan & His Steam Shovel by Virginia Lee Burton

Mouse Tales by Arnold Lobel

Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann

Owl Moon by Jane Yolen

A Tree Is Nice by Jancie May Udry

Any book from the *Frog and Toad* series by Arnold Lobel

Any book from the *Nate the Great* series by Marjery Williams

Any book from the *Junie B. Jones* series by Barbara Park

Any book from the *Horrible Harry* series by Suzy Kline

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Third Grade

Literature: *The One In the Middle Is the Green Kangaroo* by Judy Blume

History: *Detectives in Togas* by Henry Winterfield **or** *Pompeii . . .Buried Alive* by Edith Kunhardt Davis

And any two from this list:

Picture Books:

Anasi the Spider by Gerald McDermott

Arrow to the Sun by Gerald McDermott

Chanticleer and the Fox by Barbara Cooney

Frog Went A-Courtin' by John M. Langstaff

Martin's Big Words by Doreen Rappaport

Once a Mouse by Marcia Brown

One Fine Day by Nonny Hogrogian

Ox-Cart Man by Donald Hall

Prayer for a Child by Rachel Field

Seven Blind Mice by Ed Young

The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats

The Talking Egg by Robert D. San Souci

The Ugly Duckling by Hans Christian Andersen, Illustrated by Jerry Pinkney

The Velveteen Rabbit by Marjery Williams

Zin! Zin! Zin! A Violin by Lloyd Moss

Chapter Books:

Bears on Hemlock Mountain by Alice Dalgliesh

Courage of Sarah Nobel by Alice Dalgliesh

Herbie Jones by Suzie Kline

My Father's Dragon by Ruth Stiles Gannett

Owls in the Family by Farley Mowal

Winnie-the-Pooh by A. A. Milne

Any book in the *Magic Tree House* series by Mary Pope Osborne

Any book in the *Box Car Children* series by Gertrude Chandler Warner

Any book in the *Little House Beginning Chapter Books* series by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Any book in the *Amber Brown* series by Paula Danziger

Any book in the *Cam Jensen* series by David A. Adler

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Fourth Grade

Literature: *Because of Winn -Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo

History: *The Knight at Dawn* by Mary Pope Osborne

And any two from this list:

Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll

Amber Brown Goes Fourth by Paula Danziger

The Big Bike Race by Lucy Jane Bledsoe

The Dragon of Lonely Island by Rebecca Rupp

Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective by Donald J. Sobol

Ereth's Birthday by Avi

Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan

Fables by Arnold Lobel

Hello, Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle by Betty MacDonald

Hey, New Kid by Betsy Duffey

Homer Price by Robert McCloskey

Honus and Me : A Baseball Card Adventure by Dan Gutman

Love, From Your Friend, Hannah : A Novel by Mindy Warshaw Skolsky

Misty of Chincoteague by Marguerite Henry

Night of the Twisters by Ivy Ruckman

Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse

Poppy by Avi

Riding Freedom by Pam Munoz Ryan

The School Story by Andrew Clements

Skinnybones by Barbara Park

The Silver Balloon by Susan Bonners

Stuart Little by E. B. White

Superfudge by Judy Blume

There's an Owl in the Shower by Jean Craighead George

Tornado by Betsy Cromer Byars

Utterly Yours, Booker Jones by Betsy Duffey

Wanted – Bud Blossom by Betsy Byars

When Willard Met Babe Ruth : A Story by Donald Hall

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Fifth Grade

Literature: *Love That Dog* by Sharon Creech

History: *Pedro's Journal : A Voyage with Christopher Columbus August 3, 1492 February 14, 1493* by Pam Conrad **or** *Our Strange New Land: Elizabeth's Diary, Jamestown, Virginia, 1609* by Patricia Hermes

And any two from this list:

Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko

Banner in the Sky by James Ramsey Ullman

Becoming Naomi Leon by Pam Munoz Ryan

Beetles, Lightly Toasted by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Blue Willow by Doris Gates

Caddie Woodlawn by Carol Ryrie Brink

Caleb's Story by Patricia Maclachlan

Captain's Dog by Roland Smith

Cat Who Went to Heaven by Elizabeth Coatsworth

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

Daughter of the Mountain by Louise Rankin

Door in the Wall by Marguerite D'Angeli

Elijah of Buyton by Christopher Paul Curtis

The Enormous Egg by Oliver Butterworth

Gone Away Lake by Elizabeth Enright

The Great Gilly Hopkins by Katherine Patterson

Homesick, My Own Story by Jean Fritz

Homer Price by Robert McCloskey

House of Sixty Fathers by Meindert DeJong

Joey Pigza Loses Control by Jack Gantos

Journey Outside by Mary Q. Steele

Junebug by Alice Mead

Knee Knock Rise by Natalie Babbitt

Lily's Crossing by Patricia Reilly Giff

The Matchlock Gun by Walter D. Edmonds

Mountain Born by Elizabeth Yates

The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster

Rabbit Hill by Robert Lawson

Robin Hood by Roger Lancelyn Green

Secret of the Andes by Ann Nolan Clark

The Shakespeare Stealer by Gary Blackwood

Swindle by Gordon Korman

Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

Twenty-One Balloons by Pene Dubois

Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Graham

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Sixth Grade

Literature: *A Cricket in Time Square* by George Seldon

History: *A Boy at War* by Harry Mazer

And any two from this list:

Anne of Green Gables by L. M. Montgomery

After the Rain by Norma Fox Mazer

Belle Prater's Boy by Ruth White

Brian's Winter by Gary Paulson

The Family Under the Bridge by Natalie Savage

Faith and the Electric Dog by Patrick Jennings

The Game of Sunken Places by MT Anderson

Gay-Neck: Story of a Pigeon by Dhan Gopal Mukerji

The Grey King by Susan Cooper

Gulliver's Travels by Jonathan Swift

Heidi by Johanna Spyria

Island of the Blue Dolphin by Scott O'Dell

Justin Morgan Had a Horse by Marguerite Henry

Kildee House by Rutherford Montgomery

Little House on the Prarie by Laura Ingalls Wilder

A Long Way From Chicago by Richard Peck

Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli

Old Yeller by Fred Gipson

Onion John by Joseph Krumgold

Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse

Philip Hall Likes Me, I Reckon, Maybe by Bette Greene

Pictures of Hollis Woods by Patricia Reilly Giff

The Return of the Indian by Lynne Reid Banks

The Rifle by Gary Paulson

Robinson Crusoe by David Defoe

The School Story by Andrew Clements

The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

The Silver Pencil by Alice Dalgliesh

Sing Down the Moon by Scott O'Dell

Souder by William H. Armstrong

The Swiss Family Robinson by Johann Wyss

The Trumpeter of Krakow by Eric P. Kelly

The Watsons Go to Birmingham-1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis

Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson by Bette Bao Lord

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Seventh Grade

Literature: *No More Dead Dogs* by Gordan Korman

History: *A Boy in the Alamo* by Maragaret Cousins

And any two from this list:

Around the World in 80 Days by Jules Verne

Banner in the Sky by James Ramsey

A Boy at War by Harry Mazer

Call It Courage by Armstrong Sperry

Call of the Wild by Jack London

A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens

Crispin: The Cross of Lead by Avi

Dogsong by Gary Paulsen

Dragon's Gate by Laurence Yep

From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frank. By E.L. Konigsburg

The Fledgling by Jane Langton

A Gathering of Days by Joan Blos

A Girl Named Disaster by Nancy Farmer

The Golden Goblet by Eloise Jarvis McGraw

The Great Wheel by Robert Lawson

Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

Indian Captive by Lois Lenski

It's Like This, Cat by Emily Neville

Jacob Have I Loved by Katherine Paterson

Let the Circle Be Unbroken by Mildred D. Taylor

Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

King of the Wind by Marguerite Henry

Miracles on Maple Hill by Virginia Sorenson

One-Eyed Cat by Paula Fox

The Perilous Road by William O. Steele

Rasco and the Rats of NIMH by Jane Leslie Conly

Shadow of a Bull by Maia Wojciechowska

A Solitary Blue by Cynthia Voigt

The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin

White Fang by Jack London

The White Stag by Kate Seredy

The Witch of Blackbird Pond by Elizabeth George Speare

The Yearling by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings

Summer Reading List for Students Going Into Eighth Grade

Literature: *1984* by George Orwell

History: *My Brother Sam Is Dead* by James Lincoln

And any one book from the list below:

And Now Miguel by Joseph Krumgold

Anne Frank Remembered by Miep Geis

Big Wave by Pearl S. Buck

The Blue Castle by L. M. Montgomery

The Blue Sword by Robin McKinley

The Bronze Bow by Elizabeth George Speare

The Dark Is Rising by Susan Cooper

The Gammage Cup by Carol Kendall

Gathering Blue by Lois Lowry

Great Expectations by Charles Dickens

The Hero and the Crown by Robin McKinley

The High King by Lloyd Alexander

I, Juan de Pareja by Elizabeth Borton de Trevino

Incident At Hawk's Hill by Allan W. Eckert

The King's Shadow by Elizabeth Alder

The King's Fifth by Scott O'Dell

Last of the Mohicans by James Fenimore Cooper

Lord of the Flies by William Golding

The Martian Chronicles by Ray Bradbury

Moccasin Trail by Eloise Jarvis

The Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway

Old Ramon by Jack Schaefer

Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crave

Return to Hawk's Hill by Allan W. Eckert

Rifles for Watie by Harold Keith

A String in the Harp by Nancy Bond

Swift Rivers by Cornelia Meigs

That Was Then, This Is Now by S.E. Hinton

Up a Road Slowly by Irene Hunt

Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech

Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

With Lee in Virginia by G. A. Henty