



## 2017 Summer Reading Project

Dear Student,

Welcome to 5th grade! Summer is a great time to relax and read a few good books.

Attached is the summer reading project. **YOU** are able make choices when it comes to your summer activity. If you find you are not enjoying a book or activity, try another one!

**Below is a list of books for you to choose from.** *Every student* is required to read **1 book (Fiction or Nonfiction)** and complete **3 Tic-Tac-Toe projects**. You will find attached all of the activities, rubrics and all directions for this project. **You need to bring your completed projects on the first day of school.** This will count as your 1st set of grades for reading for the school year.

Have fun and be as creative as possible!

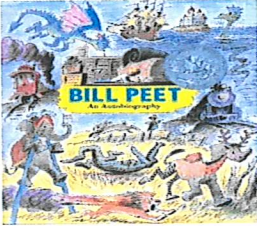
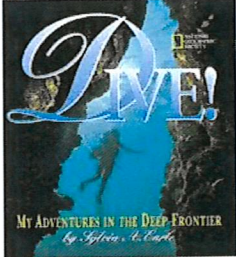
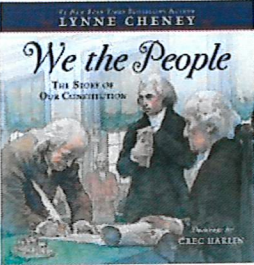
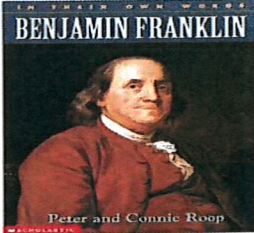
See you in September!!! 😊

Mrs. Leone

PS- Parents, feel free to read and discuss the books along with your child. When it comes to completing the projects, however, please be a guide for your child, rather than a partner in the project. Thank you.

## 5th Grade Book List

Fiction	<i>(All book descriptions are copied/adapted from Scholastic.com)</i>
<p><b><u>The City of Ember</u></b> By Jeanne Du Prau</p> 	<p>The city of Ember was built as a last refuge for the human race. Two hundred years later, the great lamps that light the city are beginning to flicker. When Lina finds part of an ancient message, she's sure it holds a secret that will save the city. She and her friend Doon must decipher the message before the lights go out on Ember forever!</p>
<p><b><u>Cryptid Hunters</u></b> By Roland Smith</p> 	<p>After their parents are lost in an accident, 13-year old twins Grace and Marty are whisked away to live with their Uncle Wolfe, a mysterious man dedicated to finding cryptids, creatures believed to be long extinct. Adventure lurks around every corner in this novel.</p>
<p><b><u>*Maniac Magee</u></b> By Jerry Spinelli</p> 	<p>He wasn't born with the name Maniac Magee. He came into this world named Jeffrey Lionel Magee, but when his parents died and his life changed, so did his name. And Maniac Magee became a legend. Even today kids talk about how fast he could run; about how he hit an inside-the-park "frog" homer; how no knot, no matter how snarled, would stay that way once he began to untie it. But the thing Maniac Magee is best known for is what he did for the kids from the East Side and those from the West Side</p>
<p><b><u>The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy</u></b> By Jeanne Birdsall</p> 	<p>This summer the Penderwick sisters have a wonderful surprise: a holiday on the grounds of a beautiful estate called Arundel. Soon they are busy discovering the summertime magic of Arundel's sprawling gardens, treasure-filled attic, tame rabbits, and the cook who makes the best gingerbread in Massachusetts. But the best discovery of all is Jeffrey Tifton, son of Arundel's owner, who quickly proves to be the perfect companion for their adventures. The icy-hearted Mrs. Tifton is not as pleased with the Penderwicks as Jeffrey is, though, and warns the new friends to stay out of trouble. Which, of course, they will--won't they? One thing's for sure: it will be a summer the Penderwicks will never forget.</p>

<p>Nonfiction</p>	<p><i>(All book descriptions are copied/adapted from Scholastic.com)</i></p>
<p><b>*Bill Peet: An Autobiography</b> By Bill Peet</p> 	<p>In this autobiography, Bill Peet explains how he started his career as an artist at the Disney Studios. He was hired when Disney made history by making the first feature-length animated film, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs."</p>
<p><b>Dive! My Adventures in the Deep Frontier</b> By Sylvia Earle J</p> 	<p>Join Sylvia Earle in exploring the deep frontier. In her own words and with spectacular underwater photographs, this renowned underwater explorer offers a glimpse into an alien world--right here on Earth.</p>
<p><b>We the People</b> By Lynne Cheney and Greg Harlin</p> 	<p><i>"I am mortified beyond expression when I view the clouds which have spread over the brightest morn that ever dawned upon any country."</i> —</p> <p>George Washington America had won the Revolution, but our troubles were far from over. The thirteen states were squabbling, the country could not pay its bills, and in Massachusetts farmers had taken up arms against the government. Was our country, which had fought so hard for its independence, going to survive?</p>
<p><b>In Their Own Words</b> By Peter Roop</p> 	<p>OR you can choose another In Their Own Words book from the series.</p> <p>In Their Own Words: Benjamin Franklin tells the exciting story of Ben Franklin's life using his newspaper articles, personal recollections, and excerpts from his autobiography. Readers will be able to experience Ben's life as if they had really been there.</p>

\* Challenge Books. All books are available online or at a major bookstore

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

**2016 Summer Reading Project**

<p><b>Auditory/Music</b>          Make a list of songs that one of the main characters in your book would bring on a trip to the beach or a picnic. Explain why they would choose those songs. Include at least 5 songs and at least 1 sentence explaining each song.</p>	<p><b>Visual</b>          Imagine you are taking a summer vacation to the main setting of a book you are reading. Design a set of (3) three postcards from the trip illustrating and explaining what you and your family would do on this vacation in letter format with at least 3 sentences.</p>	<p><b>Nature</b>          Imagine the main characters in your book joined a club and were planning a hike. Make a list of supplies that they will need to be prepared for (examples: weather, dangers). Explain why you will need 3 of those items.</p>
<p><b>Kinesthetic (Movement/Hands on)</b> Write a short skit about a major event in a book you are reading. Perform the skit and create a short movie at home or provide 3 pictures taken from the skit with at least 1 sentence explanation of what is happening in each picture. (This can be done with other students)</p>	<p><b>Center Square</b>          (Everyone must do this one!) Write a letter to the author expressing your thoughts about the book. What did you like, what didn't you like, and what would you have changed? You must include at least 3 events that happened in the book to support your thoughts.</p>	<p><b>Interpersonal (Communication)</b>          Create an interview as if you are one of the main characters of the story. Write 3 questions and have someone ask you them and you answer them as the character. Provide pictures or video along with your questions and answers.</p>
<p><b>Verbal</b>          Create a birthday card with a special message to one of the main characters from your book. The message must include 3 details from the story.</p>	<p><b>Intrapersonal (Self-Awareness)</b>          Use the Venn diagram attached to compare and contrast yourself to one of the main characters from your book. Ask questions like: What summer activities would your character enjoy that you enjoy? What activities might the character enjoy that you don't enjoy?</p>	<p><b>Math/Logic</b>          If one of the main characters in your book wanted to start a summer business, what would it be? Write a business plan with the goal for the business, items or services sold with prices, and supplies needed. Design an 8 ½ x 11 sized poster for the business.</p>

**Choose 3 activities from the reading tic-tac-toe. (3 for your 1 book choice) Everyone must do the center square. Choose wisely! Use your strengths. Samples and rubrics of each of the projects are attached.**

# Auditory/music

Make a list of songs that one of the main characters in your book would bring on a trip to the beach or a picnic. Explain why they would choose those songs. Include at least 5 songs and at least 1 sentence explaining each song.

**Example:**

**Name:** Snow White Class 4A Book: Little Ms. Muffet Project: Songs

1. 1 Eyed 1 Horned Flying Purple People Eater. I chose this song because it reminds me of what the spider looks like and I am so thrilled that I am not purple.

2. Boris the Spider (by The Who). This song is about a large spider that scares people and that spider that scared me.

GRADING RUBRIC:

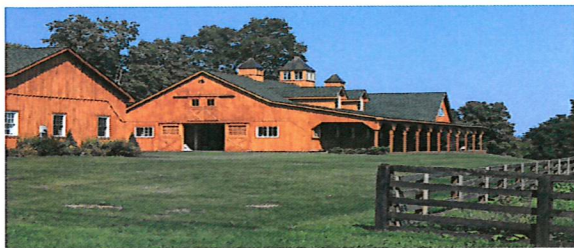
5 songs 1 point a piece \_\_\_\_\_ /5 points

5 explanations of songs 1 point a piece \_\_\_\_\_ /5 points

Total \_\_\_\_\_ /10 points

# Visual

Imagine you are taking a summer vacation to the main setting of a book you are reading. Design a set of (3) three postcards from the trip illustrating and explaining what you and your family would do on this vacation in letter format with at least 3 sentences.



FRONT

Dear Mrs. DeAcutis,  
This summer we went to a working farm that had many different kinds of animals. My favorite was a pig named Wilbur. He is an amazing pig! His best friend is named Charlotte and she is a spider. We helped everyone with their chores. I even got to milk the cows and feed the geese. See you soon. Sincerely, Little Johnny

BACK

GRADING RUBRIC:

Pictures 1 point each \_\_\_\_\_ /3 points

Letters 2 points each \_\_\_\_\_ /6 points

Overall Creativity \_\_\_\_\_ /4 points Total \_\_\_\_\_ /10 points

# Nature

Imagine the main characters in your book joined a club and were planning a hike. Make a list of supplies that they will need to be prepared for at least 10 supplies (examples: weather, dangers). Explain why you will need 3 of those items.

Name: Cinderella    Class 5L    Book: Mouse and the Motorcycle    Project: Supplies List

1. Gasoline. Gasoline is important to bring in case my motorcycle runs out. I don't want to be stuck in the woods, in the dark!

2. Rain coat and hat. If it does start to rain, I will be ready to put those things on so that I will not get wet.

## GRADING RUBRIC:

List 1 point (must have 10 supplies) \_\_\_\_\_ /7 points

3 supply explanations \_\_\_\_\_ /3 points

Total \_\_\_\_\_ /10 points

# Kinesthetic (Movement/Hands on)



Write a short skit about a major event in a book you are reading. Perform the skit and create a short movie at home or provide 3 pictures taken from the skit with at least 1 sentence explaining what is happening in each picture. (This can be done with other students.)

## GRADING RUBRIC:

Script \_\_\_\_\_ /4 points

Movie or 3 pictures \_\_\_\_\_ /3 points

1 sentence description (beginning, middle, and end) of movie or pictures \_\_\_\_\_ /3 points

Total \_\_\_\_\_ /10 points

## Center square (Everyone must do this one!)

Write a letter to the author expressing your thoughts about the book. What did you like, what didn't you like, and what would you have changed? You must include at least 3 events that happened in the book to support your thoughts.



### GRADING RUBRIC:

2 points each of the 3 events \_\_\_\_\_ /6 points  
Letter Format \_\_\_\_\_ /2 points Writing \_\_\_\_\_ /2 points  
Total \_\_\_\_\_ /10 points

## Interpersonal (Communication)

Create an interview as if you are one of the main characters of the story. Write 3 questions and have someone ask you them and you answer them as the character. Provide pictures or video along with your questions and answers.



### GRADING RUBRIC:

3 questions each 1 point \_\_\_\_\_ /3 points  
Answers to questions 2 points each \_\_\_\_\_ /6 points  
1 picture or video \_\_\_\_\_ /1 point Total \_\_\_\_\_ /10 points

# Verbal

Create a birthday card with a special message to one of the main characters from your book. The message must include 3 details from the story.



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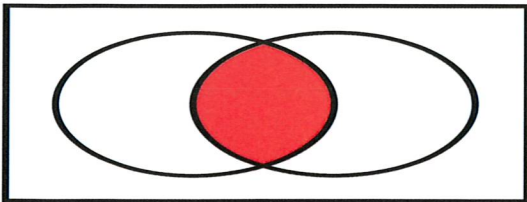
1 point for the card and decoration \_\_\_\_\_ /1 point

3 details each for story 3 points each \_\_\_\_\_ /9 points

Total \_\_\_\_\_ /10 points

# Intrapersonal (Self-Awareness)

Use a Venn diagram to compare and contrast yourself to one of the main characters from your book. Ask questions like: What summer activities would your character enjoy that you enjoy? What activities might the character enjoy that you don't enjoy?



## GRADING RUBRIC:

3 details in each section of the Venn diagram

1 point each \_\_\_\_\_ /9 points

Diagram labeled correctly \_\_\_\_\_ /1 point

Total \_\_\_\_\_ /10 points



# Math/Logic

If one of the main characters in your book wanted to start a summer business, what would it be? Write a business plan with the goal for the business, items or services sold with prices, and supplies needed. Design an 8 ½ x 11 sized poster for the business.

## **GRADING RUBRIC:**

**Business Plan (must include: goal for the business, items or services sold with prices, and supplies needed) \_\_\_\_\_ /8 point 8 ½" x 11"**

**Poster \_\_\_\_\_ /2 points**

**Total \_\_\_\_\_ /10 points**