



2018 Summer Reading List For Returning CAL Students

The following are recommended books for your child to enjoy over the summer. This reading list is by no means exhaustive. Many listed here are considered classics, while others are written by modern authors skilled at beautiful prose. This list does not include books from our curriculum. We do not want students reading literature they will be reading in the classroom for the coming year or future years. Much of the pleasure of reading books as a class consists in the element of anticipation and surprise. Please enjoy a summer of reading from the selections below.

First Grade (some here will be read to the child)

Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter
Nursery Rhymes and Fables
Poems by Robert Louis Stevenson
Tales by Hans Christian Andersen
Just So Stories by Rudyard Kipling
Leveled readers

Second Grade

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Blacky the Crow by Thornton Burgess
Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLaglan
Strawberry Girl by Lois Lenski
All of a Kind Family by Sydney Taylor
The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary
Rabbit Hill by Robert Lawson

Third Grade

Cricket in Times Square by George Seldon
Homer Price by Robert McCloskey
Half Magic by Edward Eager
Misty of Chincoteague by Marguerite Henry
Wonderful Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum
Stuart Little by E.B. White

Fourth Grade

From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl
Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt
Anne of Green Gables by L.M. Montgomery
Carry on, Mr. Bowditch by Jean Lee Latham
Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins

Fifth Grade

The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien
Redwall by Brian Jacques
Ms. Frisby and the Rats of NIHM by Robert C. O'Brien
Black Beauty by Anna Sewell
Mary Poppins by P.V. Travers
Swiss Family Robinson by Johann Wyss
Roll Of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor
The Black Stallion by Walter Farley

Sixth Grade

War Horse by Michael Morpurgo
Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse
Number the Stars by Lois Lowry
Heidi by Johanna Spyri
Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell
The Amulet of Samakand by Jonathan Stroud
Amos Fortune, Free Man by Elizabeth Yates

Seventh Grade

The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin
The Shakespeare Stealer by Gary Blackwood
Howl's Moving Castle by Diana Wynne Jones
Lord of the Rings by J.R.R. Tolkien
The Witch of Blackbird Pond by Elizabeth George Speare
A Wizard of Earthsea by Ursula LeGuin
Kidnapped by R. L. Stevenson

Eighth Grade

Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls
Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt
Around the World in Eighty Days by Jules Verne
A Single Shard by Linda Sue Park
The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
Boy in the Striped Pajamas by John Boyne

Ninth Grade

Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court by Mark Twain

The Yearling by Marjorie K. Rawlings

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling

War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells

Tenth Grade

Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie

Silas Marner by George Eliot

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte

Little Dorrit by Charles Dickens

Goodbye, Mr. Chips by James Hilton