



Summer Reading Packet

Hello Future 5th Graders!!

I am looking forward to seeing you in the fall and diving into all things ELA (English Language Arts). Before we reach that point, there are a few things you need to know about me and a few things I am going to ask of you.

I love to read. Not everyone does, AND THAT'S OKAY. I am currently reading Refugee by Alan Gratz!

Here is why:

1. Reading is part of life. It is how we stay informed about our world and how we become better prepared to interact with our world.
2. Words are like friends - "You can't build up a vocabulary if you never meet any new words. And to meet them, you must read."

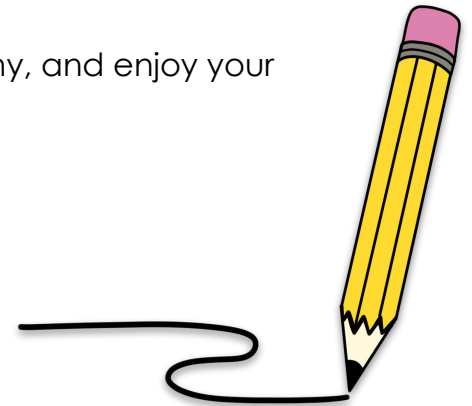
Attached you will find the instructions for your summer reading assignment. **My expectation is that this packet will be turned in completed on the first day of 5th grade - yes, this will be BOTH a Reading AND Expression grade.**

Please reach out to me if you have any questions. In the meantime, be happy, stay healthy, and enjoy your summer!

Best,

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What do I have to do for Summer Reading?

This summer, I would like you to read **TWO (2)** or more books of your choice. These books should be **new to you**.

Books should be grade-level in complexity and an appropriate length.

These books should be from at least **one different genre** and **one graphic novel**.

Nonfiction - writing that is true

Persuasive - tries to influence the reader

Informational - explains something

Autobiography - life story written by oneself

Biography - about someone else's life

Fiction - imaginative or made up writing

Historical - set in the past & based on real people and/or events

Science - has aliens, robots, and/or futuristic technology

Realistic - has no elements of fantasy; could be true but isn't

Fantasy - has monsters, magic or characters with superpowers

Horror - evoke a feeling of fright in characters and readers

Mystery - solution of a crime or unraveling of secrets

How will I track my Summer Reading Progress?

Attached to this packet are **SIX (6) book spines**. When you finish reading a book, you will fill out **and color** the book spine of your choice. **You need to only complete TWO (2)**.

What if I want to read more?

YES - PLEASE READ AS MUCH AS YOU WOULD LIKE!

I can only read so many books in a year, and depend on **YOU** to tell me what's good! I need your recommendations.

Additional book spine templates are available on the school website.

