

Set Aside Time Every Day to Read!
Springfield Public Schools Suggested Summer Reading List
GRADE FOUR

Summer provides a very important time for students of all ages to continue reading books of their own choosing. We know that the more a student is read to and reads independently, the better reader he/she will become. Start the summer off right by setting aside a consistent time of at least one-half hour each day for an enjoyable reading time with your child.

As your child begins to read independently, choosing a “just right” book is important. That means that the book is not too difficult, and your child should be able to read most of the words correctly and without hesitation. Independent reading time should be enjoyable!

The books below are merely suggestions to begin a search for books that will “hook” your child onto reading.

Adler, David A. *A Picture Book of Harry Houdini*

Auch, Mary Jane. *The Plot Chickens*

Barton, Chris. *The Day-Glo Brothers*

Bennett, Jeffrey. *Max Goes to Jupiter*

Blume, Judy. *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*

Brown, Jason Robert. *Tickety Tock*

Bunting, Eve. *Train to Somewhere*

Caddock, Erik. *Stone Rabbit #1: BC Mambo*

Caulkins, Janet V. *Pets of the Presidents*

Christopher, Matt. *The Dog That Pitched a No-Hitter*

Cleary, Beverly. *Strider*

Clement, Andrew. *Frindle*

Dahl, Roald. *Danny the Champion of the World*

Danziger. *Amber Brown is Not a Crayon*

DiCamillo, Kate. *Because of Winn-Dixie*

Doubilet, David. *Face to Face with Sharks*

E.B. White. *Trumpet of the Swan*

Fleischman, Paul. *The Dunderheads*

Gaiman, Neil. *Blueberry Girl*

George, Jean Craighead. *My Side of the Mountain*

Goldish, Meish. *Bug-a-Licious*

Goldish, Meish. *Michael Phelps: Anything is Possible*

Gritton, Steve. *The Trouble With Sisters and Brothers*

Haskins Houran, Lori. *Pug: What a Mug!*

Heide, Florence Parry. *Sami and the Time of the Troubles*

Heide Florence Parry, *Oh, Grow Up! Poems to Help You Survive Parents, Chores, School and Other Afflictions*

Hesse, Karen. *Music of Dolphins*

Holm, Jennifer. *Babymouse #11: Dragonslayer*

Howe, James and Deborah. *Bunnacula*

Jones, Charlotte Foltz. *The King Who Barked*

Krosoczka, Jarret J. *Lunch Lady and the Cyborg Substitute*

Lechner, John. *Sticky Burr #2: The Prickly Peril*

Levy, Janice. *Gonzalo Grabs the Good Life*

Lowry, Lois. *Anastasia Krupnik*

Lowry, Lois. *Crow Call*

MacLachlan, Patricia. *Arthur for the Very First Time*

Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. *Shiloh*

Nichols, Michael. *Face to Face with Gorillas*

Nobisso, Josephine. *Take It to the Queen, a Tale of Hope*

O'Malley, Kevin. *Backpack Stories*

Perry, John. *The Book That Eats People*

Pilkey, Dav. *The Adventures of Captain Underpants*

Queen Rania of Jordan, *The Sandwich Swap*

Sandler, Michael. *Ben Roethlisberger*

Shange, Ntozake, *Coretta Scott*

Sturm, James. *Adventures in Cartooning*

Walter, Mildred Pitts. *Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World*

Wells, Robert E. *What's So Special About Planet Earth?*

Wilder, Laura Ingalls. *Little House in the Big Woods*

Williams, Karen Lynn. *My Name is Sangoel*

Winter, Jonah. *You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?*

Zoticus de Lesups, Ferdinand. *Oceanology*

Series books that are most popular with intermediate readers:

American Girl– various authors

Applegate, K. A. *Animorphs*

Babysitter's Club – various authors

Cleary, Beverly. *Ramona*

Jones, Dadey, Debby and Marcia. *The Bailey School Kids*

Osborne, Mary Pope. *The Magic Tree House*

Parks, Barbara. *Junie B. Jones*

Rowling, J.K. *Harry Potter*

Stine, R. L. *Goosebumps*

Warner, Gertrude. *Ramona*

Warner, Gertrude. *The Box Car Children*