



Suggested Summer Reading List Second Grade

Experts agree that children who read during the summer months gain reading skills while those who do not often slide backwards. Don't let your child experience the "summer slide"! Choose books from the following list or head to the library and explore the shelves. Children should read for at least 15 minutes each day. A general rule for selecting books at the appropriate reading level is to choose a page and ask your child to read it aloud. If he or she does not know more than 5 words on the page, the book may be too difficult for them to read independently. Don't let that discourage you - consider reading a "too difficult" book aloud to your child. Your child is never too old to enjoy being read to. This opens the door for quality time and interesting conversations.

Attached is a list of comprehension questions. As an optional writing assignment, your child may choose one question to answer for each book they read or have read to them. Please answer these questions on lined paper and allow your child to use their best spelling and grammar. If they answer at least ten questions, they will receive a prize from their teacher. The writing should come back no later than the first full day of school to receive the prize.

Book suggestions:

Any books in the following series:

Judy Moody (Series) by Meg McDonald
Amelia Bedelia (Series) by Peggy Parish
Flat Stanley (Series) by Jeff Brown
Junie B. Jones (Series) by Barbara Park
Ramona (Series) by Beverly Cleary
Magic Tree House (Series) by Mary Pope Osborne
Young Cam Jansen (Series) by David A. Adler
Frog & Toad (Series) by Arnold Lobel
Amber Brown (Series) by Paula Danziger
Curious George (Series) by H.A. Rey

Arthur (Series) by Marc Brown
The Magic School Bus (Series) by Joanna Cole
Nate the Great (Series) by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
Step into Reading (leveled series)

Nonfiction Titles:

Any titles by Seymour Simon
Any titles by DK Publishing
Magazines such as Ranger Rick & National Geographic Kids
Check out a fun biography & learn about someone's life
Let's Read and Find out About Science books (Harper Collins Publishing)

Other Titles:

How I Spent My Summer Vacation by Mark Teague
Alice the Fairy by David Shannon
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst
Pirates Don't Change Diapers by Melinda Long
If the Dinosaurs Came Back by Bernard Most
The Crazy Case of Missing Thunder by Tony Abbott
A Bear Called Paddington by Michael Bond
What if you had Animal Teeth, Hair, Ears, etc. by Sandra Markle