



LAGRANGE ACADEMY

Reading Assignment for Rising Fourth Graders Summer 2019

1. Read *King George: What Was His Problem?* by Steve Sheinkin for Social Studies.
2. Choose a book that you have not already read from the list below and complete the activity at the bottom of the page. We will have a **Back to School Book Bash** for the book characters the first week of school, so follow the directions to get ready for the party! It will be a **BLAST!**
3. You will complete the Book Report Outline *in class* the first week of school, so look over the form so you will know the expectations.
4. Set a goal to read at least 20 minutes a day all summer and keep up with your Summer Reading Log.
5. Take a Reading Counts test during the first week of school on any or all of the books you read this summer.

Back to School Book Bash

Books are AMAZING, so let's celebrate the characters who bring them to life! As you read, think about three gifts (tangible or intangible) you would like to give the character(s) in your book. Make sure you think creatively and carefully select gifts that would be meaningful to the recipient(s).

Directions: Please wrap a picture of each gift in a small box or gift bag. Pictures may be hand drawn, cut out of a magazine/catalog, or printed from a computer. Create a gift tag so we will know who the gift is to and from when we have our Book Bash. Since the actual book characters will be unable to attend our party, I will have each of you unwrap your three gifts at our party and explain why you selected them.



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Feel free to read as many books as you would like this summer, but choose just ONE BOOK for the gift project. The books below are just suggestions. There are other excellent selections on the other websites listed. Choose a book (no graphic novels) over 150 pages that interests you. My ultimate goal is for you to love reading, so choose a book you will enjoy!

[Great Schools](#)

[Good Reads](#)

[Common Sense Media](#)

[Bookopolis](#)

4th Grade Book Suggestions

Nonfiction

Elizabeth Blackwell: Girl Doctor by Joanne Henry

Helen Keller: From Tragedy to Triumph by Katharine E. Wilkie

Neil Armstrong: Young Flyer by M. Dunham

Jim Thorpe: Olympic Champion by Guernsey Van Riper, Jr.

Fiction

Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

Fudge-A-Mania by Judy Blume

Jake and Lily by Jerry Spinelli

Absolutely Almost by Lisa Graff

Skinnybones by Barbara Park

No Talking by Andrew Clements

Rump: The True Story of Rumpelstiltskin by Liesl Shurtliff

Strawberry Girl by Lois Lenski

The Terrible Two by John Jory & Mac Barnett

Lunch Money by Andrew Clements

Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Adventure/Mystery

Room One: A Mystery or Two by Andrew Clements

Bunnicula by James Howe

Howliday Inn (Bunnicula) by James Howe

The Celery Stalks at Midnight by James Howe

The Boxcar Children series by Gertrude Chandler Warner



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Adventure/Fantasy

The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary
Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks
Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator by Roald Dahl
The Book of Story Beginnings by Kristin Kladstrup
Prince Caspian by C.S. Lewis
The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo
The Borrowers by Mary Norton
Circus Mirandus by Cassie Beasley
Appleblossom the Possum by Holly Goldberg Sloan
Magyk: Septimus Heap Book One by Angie Sage
Bunnicula Meets Edgar Allan Crow by James Howe
The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick
Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle by Betty MacDonald

Sports

Any book by Matt Christopher or Mike Lupica