



Reading Assignment for Rising Fifth Graders Summer 2019

1. Read *Two Miserable Presidents* 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.

Feel free to read as many books as you would like this summer, but choose just ONE BOOK to for the **Back to School Book Bash**. The books below are just



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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](#)

5th Grade Book Suggestions

Nonfiction

Flying to the Moon: An Astronaut's Story by Michael Collins

The Endless Steppe: Growing Up in Siberia by Esther Hautzig

Yellow Star by Jennifer Roy

Byrd & Igloo: A Polar Adventure by Samantha Seiple

Fiction

As Brave As You by Jason Reynolds

Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli

Chomp by Carl Hiaasen

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell

Skinnybones by Barbara Park

Half a Chance by Cynthia Lord

Loser by Jerry Spinelli

The Thing About Jellyfish by Ali Benjamin

Death by Toilet Paper by Donna Gephart

Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

Rain Reign by Ann M. Martin

Historical Fiction

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry

Wolf Hollow by Lauren Wolk

Projekt 1065 by Alan Gratz

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis



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Echo by Pam Munoz Ryan
City of Orphans by Avi
Nine, Ten: A September 11 Story by Nora Raleigh Baskin
Stella by Starlight by Sharon M. Draper

Adventure/Mystery

The Thief Lord by Cornelia Funke
Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz
Mission: In Search of the Time and Space Machine by Deborah Abela
Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett
From the Mixed-Up Files of Basil E. Frankweiler by E. L. Konigsburg
The Book Scavenger by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman
Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein
Fuzzy Mud by Louis Sachar
Masterminds by Gordon Korman

Adventure/Fantasy

The Princess and the Goblin by George MacDonald
The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
Beware of Dog (McGrowl) by Bob Balaban
Peter and the Starcatchers by Dave Barry
Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer
The Meanest Doll in the World by Ann M. Martin
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH by Robert C. O'Brien
Princess Academy by Shannon Hale
The Book of Story Beginnings by Kristin Kladstrup
Prince Caspian by C.S. Lewis
The Fourteenth Goldfish by Jennifer L. Holm
A Snicker of Magic by Natalie Lloyd
The Candy Show War by Brandon Mull

Sports

The Million Dollar Kick by Dan Gutman