

Incoming Grade 5

Dear Students & Parents,

To become great at anything one must PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE! This summer's book reports will help you to continue to practice at becoming more fluent readers. One book and report style will be required for the entire class and in September it will be discussed and referred to throughout the school year. The other book is one of the student's choice from the given list.

Book Report I

REQUIRED BOOK: "The One and Only Ivan" by Katherine Applegate

Assignment: Timeline

- Create a hand-drawn illustrated timeline of at least 6 major events. Pictures do not have to be drawn perfectly, just your best effort – Use COLOR, be creative!
- Each scene (event) needs a 1-2 sentence caption/summary and approximate date (ex. June, 1943 OR Summer 1943)
- Scenes should be sequenced based on when they occurred in the book.
- The main character needs to be depicted in at least one of the scenes.
- The last scene should summarize the ending.

Book Report II

Book of choice from list below:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
<i>Ella Enchanted</i>	Gail Carson Levine
<i>Ida B</i>	Katherine Hannigan
<i>Old Yeller</i>	Fred Gipson
<i>Maniac McGee</i>	Jerry Spinelli
<i>Redwall</i>	Brian Jacques
<i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i>	Scott O'Dell
<i>My Brother Sam is Dead</i>	Christopher Collier and James Lincoln Collier
<i>Chomp</i>	Carl Hiasen
<i>Hoot</i>	Carl Hiasen
<i>Flora & Ulysses</i>	Kate DeKamila
<i>Percy Jackson Series</i>	Rick Riordan
<i>The Invention of Hugo Cabret</i>	Brian Selznick
<i>The Name of this Book is Secret</i>	Pseudonymous Bosch
<i>Loser</i>	Jerry Spinelli
<i>Dead End in Norvelt</i>	Jack Gantos
<i>Dear Mr. Henshaw</i>	Beverly Cleary
<i>The Family Under the Bridge</i>	Natalie Savage Carlson
<i>Tuck Everlasting</i>	Natalie Babbitt

Assignment: Newspaper Report

Write your book report in the form of a newspaper. Be creative. Have fun!

Typed Preferred (Print if necessary)

Front Page:

Newspaper title (use Book Title)

Date (use one from the book's setting) Editor-in-Chief (Book Author)

Headline Story (Article headline reflecting the lesson of the story)

Headline Article (The Plot: a summary of the action of the story.)

- Summarize the story in about 5 paragraphs. Be careful not to retell the story in detail. Focus on about 4 events that had a major effect on the main character.

Page Two:

Second Story (Article headline reflecting the personality of the main character)

Second Article (Characterization of the Main Character)

- Use these questions as guidelines:
- What is the Main Character's name?
- What is the main character like?
- The main character changes from _____ to _____ by the end of the story.
- The main character does the right thing when ...
- I can identify with the main character when ...

Third Story (Article headline reflecting supporting characters)

Third Article (Brief Characterization of 2 supporting characters)

- Include characters names, a brief description, and relationship to the main character.

Page Three:

Setting Story (Article headline is the name of main location of the story)

Setting Article (Brief description of the setting)

- Describe the time and place of the story and how it effects the story.

Book Critique (Your review of the book)

- Use these questions as guidelines:
- Why did you choose this book?
- What did you learn from the book?
- Did you like how the main problem was solved?
- What did you like about the book?
- What didn't you like about the book?
- Did you like the book? Why or why not?
- Would you recommend the book to a friend? Why or why not?