



2018 Summer Reading Assignment for Students Going Into Fourth Grade in August 2018

Dear August 2018 Fourth Grader,

Have you heard of the summer slide? The summer slide is what happens when you forget some of what you have learned in school over the long summer break. You have worked hard in school to continue to grow as a reader. The best way to keep your reading skills sharp and prevent the summer slide is to read, read, read.

As part of your summer preparation for reading, you will be expected to read **three** books over the summer. All incoming fourth graders **must read** the chapter book, **Frindle** written by Andrew Clements, before the first day of school. You must **write a summary for each chapter** and turn this assignment in to your teacher on the first day you attend school. Your language arts teacher will be using this book for lessons and assignments at the beginning of school.

For the other two books, you may select any **two books** of your choice. Look for tips at "How to Pick Out the Right Book" on RenWeb. You must **complete one summer activity for each book and turn both activities in to your teacher on the first day of school**. The list of summer activities are on the back of this page.

Please **do not choose** the following books for your summer reading since you will be reading them as part of your fourth grade literature study.

1. Tuck Everlasting
2. Bud, Not Buddy
3. The Watsons Go to Birmingham 1963
4. Castle in the Attic
5. Hatchet
6. Sadako and the 1000 Paper Cranes
7. Sing Down the Moon
8. Number the Stars
9. Because of Winn Dixie
10. On My Honor

Can you read more than three books this summer? Of course you can! However, you only have to complete a summer activity for the two books of your choice.

If you have any questions about your summer reading requirements, please email Mrs. Scholler at lscholler@eldoradops.com . Best wishes for a wonderful summer!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Scholler

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Summer Activity Menu

August 2018 Fourth Graders

Directions: Choose one activity for each of the two books you chose to read this summer. You will turn these two activities in to your fourth grade teacher on the first day of school. Please use a piece of lined paper for your writing so that it looks neat. You may also use the paper attached for your writing. You may write in print but cursive is preferred.

(You do not have to complete one of these activities for the book, Frindle.)

<p>Plot: Describe three main events that are important to the story. What is the turning point in your opinion? Use evidence from the book to support your answer.</p>	<p>Book Review: Pretend you are a writer for a children’s magazine and you need to review the book you read. Write a brief summary of the book and tell your reader why you would recommend the book or not. Explain your reasoning.</p>	<p>Compare/Contrast: Compare and contrast two characters or things in the story. What makes them the same? What makes them different? Would you want to be friends with either of these characters? Explain your thinking.</p>
<p>Text Connections: Chose an event from the book that you have experienced in your own life and write about it comparing your life to the event in the book.</p>	<p>Theme: The theme of a book is what the reader thinks the book is mostly about. What is the theme of the book you read? List specific details from the story that helped you to identify the theme.</p>	<p>Lesson: Sometimes books teach us lessons. If you learned something from this book, what did you learn? How does this lesson apply to your own life?</p>



The Summer Slide Solution



Your Name: _____

Chapter Summary for Frindle

Chapter Nr.:	Summarize the events of the chapter in a few sentences. Mention the character, setting, and plot of the chapter as necessary. Use your best handwriting.
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If there are more than 7 chapters in your book, you can make or print extra copies of this page.

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