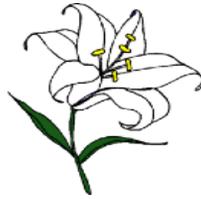


SUMMER 2020

RISING FIFTH GRADERS

Reading List and Assignment



Dear Rising 5th Graders,

I am so proud of you! Take some time to enjoy your summer for the first two weeks and then keep your brain fresh by reading for at least 20 minutes each day. Your assignment this summer is to choose a book by any of the authors listed below. You should use the **five-finger** rule to help you.

You may choose to do *either* a written book report *or* a creative presentation (See rubrics below). The choice is yours! I will be asking you about your book and your report upon your return to school. Reports are due during the first week of school.

Five-Finger Rule

1. Open your book to any page.
2. Read the words on that page.
3. Count the number of words you do not know on that page.
4. Now use the fingertips to help you decide if this is a good book for you to read by yourself (High Five Literacy, 2017).

1 finger/word-ok

2 fingers/words-still a good choice

3 fingers/words-you may need help reading this

4 fingers/words-tough to read

5 fingers/words-try a different book

Authors' List

Mary Downing Hahn

Marguerite Henry

Jean Craighead George

Kathryn Lasky

Authors' List Continued

Mike Lupica

Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Gardy Paulsen

Rick Riordan

Pam Munoz Ryan

Jerry Spinelli

Guidelines and Rubrics for Book Report

- * Underline book title. Include author.
- * Follow all rules of grammar (capitalization, indentation, etc.) **3 points**
- * Start report with a catchy beginning sentence (Not "My book report is about...")
- * Have a well-defined beginning, middle, and end (Organization) **3 points**
- * Tell complete story (Content) **3 points**

Rubric-9 points

Creative Presentation

Some examples are a diorama, a storyboard, a poster, or a pamphlet.

- * Include book title (underlined) and author
- * Be creative **3 points**
- * Be able to answer questions on project (Relationship of project to book) **3 points**
- * Be able to explain project in your own words (Content) **3 points**

Rubric-9 points