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Summer Reading

Your child may moan and groan at the idea of required reading during summer time, but that doesn't mean that your child shouldn't be reading. Whether he is entering Kindergarten in the Fall and practicing his reading readiness skills or is moving away from picture books and devouring chapter books, there are always new books to be explored.

It is estimated that school summer breaks will cause the average student to lose up to one month of instruction. (Cooper, 1996) This fact validates the importance of students being engaged in academic activities during their summer break.

Victory Christian Academy has initiated a 'Summer Reading Program' for students in Kindergarten through grade eleven. The program is age appropriate and a requirement of all returning VCA students. Please read the attached carefully as you support your child in his or her completion of their 'summer reading program.'

Thank you

Ric Franklin, Principal

**VICTORY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
SUMMER READING PROGRAM
2017**

GRADES 4-6

Mini Project on two (2) books:

You must choose a DIFFERENT project for each choice (book.)

1.

Keep a journal from the perspective of one of the characters in the book. Include at least 8-10 entries. Entries should give specific details about what is happening to the character and how they are feeling.

2.

Interview a character from the book.

You will create 10 questions you would ask this character. You will also give responses to each question as if you were the character.

***** PLEASE REMEMBER*****

YOU MUST ALSO SUBMIT A TYPED OR HANDWRITTEN (NEATLY) SUMMARY OF THE BOOK WHEN YOU HAND THE PROJECT IN!

Be creative!!! You can add artwork and color to make your projects more detailed and interesting.

You will be graded based on your:

- Understanding of each book's plot, character, and main ideas.
- Use of proper grammar and writing mechanics.
- Organization and Clarity, Creativity and Imagination.
- Neatness.

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BOOK SUGGESTIONS FOR GRADE THREE GOING INTO GRADE FOUR:

Prepared in cooperation with HHH community librarians. These lists may be supplemented:

Fun and Easy Reads

Cleary, Beverly
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Clements, Andrew
Colfer, Eoin
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Gutman, Dan
Hanson, Mary Elizabeth
Hurwitz, Johanna
Kline, Suzy
Korman, Gordon
McDonald, Megan
McDonald, Megan
Mills, Claudia
Sachar, Louis

Perfect Picks

Birney, Betty
Blume, Judy
Blume, Judy
Burleigh, Robert
Cameron, Ann
DiCamillo, Kate
Fleischman, Sid
Funke, Cornelia
Hanlon, Abby
Henkes, Kevin
Lubar, David
Korman, Gordon
MacLachlan, Patricia
Paulsen, Gary
Polacco, Patricia
Sachar, Louis
Smith, Robert Kimmel
Sobol, Donald

Challenging Reads

Avi
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Birdsall, Jeanne
Clements, Andrew
Dahl, Roald
Davies, Jacqueline
DiCamillo, Kate
Dowd, Siobhan
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Korman, Gordon
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds

Ramona Quimby, Age 8
The Mouse and the Motorcycle
Jake Drake series
The Legend of Spud Murphy
Zig Zag Kids series
Miss Daisy is Crazy!
How to Save Your Tail
Squirrel World: A Park Pals Adventure
Horrible Harry and the Holiday
Liar, Liar, Pants on Fire
Judy Moody series
Stink series
Being Teddy Roosevelt
Class President

The World According to Humphrey
Superfudge
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing
Hoops
The Stories Huey Tells
Flora and Ulysses
The Whipping Boy
Igraine the Brave
Dory Fantasmagory
Year of Billy Miller
Punished!
Shipwreck: The Island Trilogy series
Sarah, Plain and Tall
Lawn Boy
Pink and Say
Sideways Stories from Wayside School
Chocolate Fever
Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective

Windcatcher

Poppy and Rye series
The Penderwicks on Gardam Street
Frindle
The BFG
The Lemonade War
The Magician's Elephant
The London Eye Mystery
Pictures of Hollis Woods
Swindle
Shiloh



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BOOK SUGGESTIONS FOR GRADE FOUR GOING INTO GRADE FIVE:

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Fun and Easy Reads

Blume, Judy
Bunting, Eve
Catling, Patrick
Dahl, Roald
Derby, Kenneth
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Howe, James
Nelson, Vaunda Micheaux
Robinson, Barbara
Rockwell, Thomas
Ryan, Pam Munoz
Sobol, Donald J.
Smith, Robert Kimmel
White, E.B.

Perfect Picks

Amato, Mary
Avi
Bauer, Marion
Blume, Judy
Buckley, Michael
Clements, Andrew
Collins, Suzanne
Curtis, Christopher Paul
Dahl, Roald
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds
Hurwitz, Johanna
Kessler, Liz
Korman, Gordon
Moss, Marissa
Palacio, R.J.
Tarshis, Lauren

Challenging Reads

Avi
Balliett, Blue
Barry, Dave
Creech, Sharon
Cushman, Karen
DiCamillo, Kate
Gutman, Dan
L'Engle, Madeleine
Lupica, Mike
Lupica, Mike
Riordan, Rick
Selden, George
Selznick, Brian
Van Draanen, Wendelin
Juster, Norton

Fudge-A-Mania
Dandelions
The Chocolate Touch
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
The Top Ten Ways to Ruin the First Day of 5th Grade
Fourth Grade Celebrity
Bunnica: A Rabbit Tale of Mystery
Almost to Freedom
The Best School Year Ever
How to Eat Fried Worms
Paint the Wind
Encyclopedia Brown series
Chocolate Fever
Stuart Little and other books by author

The Naked Mole-Rat Letters
Something Upstairs
On My Honor
Blubber
The Fairy Tale Detectives: The Sisters Grimm
Room One: A Mystery or Two
Gregor the Overlander
The Watsons Go to Birmingham, 1963
The Twits
Boys in Control
School Spirit and other books by author
The Tail of Emily Windsnap
Swindle
Rachel's Journal: The Story of a Pioneer Girl
Wonder
Emma Jean Lazarus Fell Out of a Tree

The Fighting Ground
Chasing Vermeer
Peter and the Starcatchers
Heartbeat
Rodzina
The Tale of Despereaux
Getting Air
A Wrinkle in Time
The Big Field
Two Minute Drill
The Lightning Thief
The Cricket in Times Square
The Invention of Hugo Cabret
Sammy Keyes and other mysteries in the series
The Phantom Tollbooth



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BOOK SUGGESTIONS FOR GRADE FIVE GOING INTO GRADE SIX:

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Easy Reads

Barrow, Randi
Byars, Betsy
Creech, Sharon
DiCamillo, Kate
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Hesse, Karen
Konigsburg, E.L.
Lord, Bette
Lowry, Lois
Sachar, Louis
Speare, Elizabeth George

Saving Zasha
The Pinballs
Love That Dog
Because of Winn-Dixie
Pictures of Hollis Woods
The Music of the Dolphins
The View from Saturday
In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson
Number the Stars
Holes
The Sign of the Beaver

Perfect Picks

Avi
Balliett, Blue
Bloor, Edward
Bridges, Ruby
Byars, Betsy
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Choldenko, Gennifer
Coville, Bruce
Cushman, Karen
Feinstein, John
Funke, Cornelia
George, Jean Craighead
Geroge, Jean Craighead
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Hiaasen, Carl
Lasky, Kathryn
Lupica, Mike
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds
O'Dell, Scott
Paterson, Katherine
Spinelli, Jerry
Van Draanen, Wendelin

Night Journeys
Chasing Vermeer
Tangerine
Through My Eyes
The Pinballs
The Summer of the Swans
Al Capone Does My Shirts
Song of the Wanderer
The Ballad of Lucy Whipple
Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery
Inkheart
Julie of the Wolves
My Side of the Mountain
Lily's Crossing
Flush
The Night Journey
Heat
Shiloh
Island of the Blue Dolphins
The Great Gilly Hopkins
Maniac Magee
Sammy Keyes series

Challenging Reads

Anderson, Laurie Halse
Burnford, Sheila
Clements, Andrew
Creech, Sharon
Curtis, Christopher Paul
Farmer, Nancy
Kadohata, Cynthia
Lewis, C.S.
Lowry, Lois
Schmidt, Gary

Fever 1793
The Incredible Journey
Things Not Seen
Walk Two Moons
Elijah of Buxton
The Sea of Trolls
Kira-Kira
The Chronicles of Narnia series
Gathering Blue
The Wednesday War

