

Dear Rising 5th Grade Parents,

It is hard to believe another year has flown by and it is summer again already! In order to begin 5th grade on a successful note, we feel it is important that the skills learned in the fourth grade be reinforced over the summer.

Summer is mostly about relaxing, enjoying the sun and water, and spending time with family and friends. Make this your priority, but also set aside some time to keep those skills sharp so that everyone is ready when we see you back in August!

Required

Math:

- ★ Practice the basic addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division facts. **Each student will be assessed in August for basic fact fluency. The goal is that students should be able to do 50 questions in 2 minutes.**
- ★ Complete the Math Summer Work on Khan Academy. This review of math concepts was chosen to compliment the math curriculum and to review skills learned in fourth grade. Please do your best!

Reading:

- ★ Required Summer Reading Book List - see the attached list for reading requirements.

Recommended:

Science:

- ★ Learn about the Atlantic Ocean and some of its habitats.
- ★ Explore the world around you! Think about and discuss the natural resources that you see this summer. Examine weather patterns in the summer months. Research various rocks and minerals that you find while you're out playing.

Writing:

- ★ Keep a summer journal using your best handwriting. Summer is a great time to work on your penmanship.
- ★ Practice your grammar skills using pages from the Shurley workbook.

Social Studies:

- ★ Learn about our great country, America; watch documentaries, enjoy the History channel, read historical fiction novels or biographies.

Sincerely,
Your Fifth Grade Teachers

Rising 5th Grade Summer Reading

Rising fifth grade students are asked to read TWO books this summer to help instill a love for reading and to keep their reading skills sharp over the summer break.

Book #1:

All students are required to read and annotate the following book this summer. Please use the attached sheet to guide you on how to annotate. In the first week of school, you will be taking an AR test on this book and completing a graded in-class project. Bring your annotated book on the first day of school.

Rising 5th Grade Required Reading Book:

<i>No Talking</i>	Clements, Andrew	AR Level: 5.0
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Book #2:

Please choose one book from the list below. After you read the book, please complete and submit the Google Form entitled "Summer Reading: Book #2." The link for this form is found below. This form must be completed before "Meet Your Teacher Day" on August 10. You will be completing an AR test on the book you read in the first week of school. Please click here for the "Summer Reading: Book #2 Link: [Google Form Link](#)

Rising 5th Grade Books: (Please choose one.)

<i>Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library</i>	Grabenstein, Chris	AR Level: 4.5
<i>The One and Only Ivan</i>	Applegate, Katherine	AR Level: 3.6
<i>Bud, Not Buddy</i>	Curtis, Christopher Paul	AR Level: 5.0
<i>Rules</i>	Lord, Cynthia	AR Level: 3.9

Please see attached instructions on how to annotate your novel.

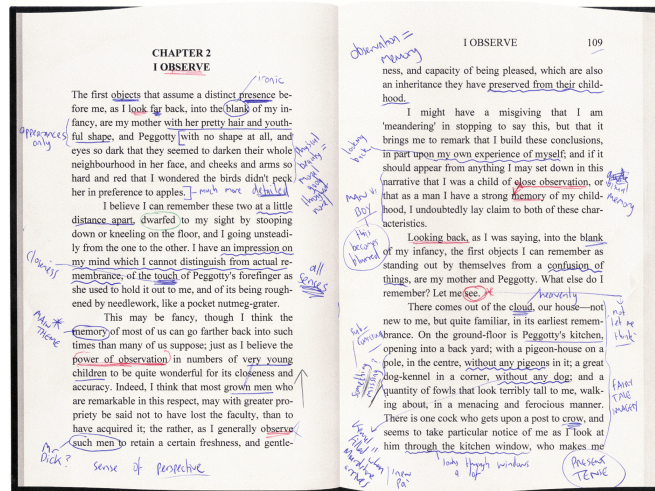
ALWAYS ANNOTATE

Good readers should annotate while reading articles, stories, novels, poems, etc.

Symbols:

1. **STAR:** the most important parts (climax, problem, solution, etc.)
2. **UNDERLINE:** major characters, events, settings, etc.
3. **MARGINS:** write notes/comments in the margins of the text
4. **CIRCLE:** words/phrases that you may need to look back to

Remember: If you annotate too much or too little you will have to reread the text. Annotate just right.



Rising 5th Grade Summer Math Practice

Summer 2020

This summer we are going to be using Khan Academy in place of a traditional Summer Math packet. My hope is to include more instruction, along with some practice problems, so students come back to school feeling prepared for the 5th-grade curriculum.

Assignments will be posted beginning in June. Students have 10 weeks to complete the assignments, so they may work at their own pace. Please use the information below to log into the Khan Academy website.

How to complete the online work:

- 1 Go to [khanacademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org)
- 2 Use the login information you received from Mr. Foster.
- 3 Complete the assigned tests and quizzes. If you miss any problems, or are confused there are tutorials for each section that can help you.

If you have any questions, feel free to email me!

Thank you,

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