



## 2024 Mayfield City Schools Summer Reading For Students Entering First Grade

In Elementary school, children are developing on their own continuum. It is important to develop strength as a reader by reading many books that are “just right” for their ability. “Just right” books are books that you are 100% confident your child can read independently with ease. “Harder” books should be left for reading aloud together. Your child’s ability to comprehend a story by listening to it read aloud is much higher than their ability to understand it alone. It is our recommendation that every child should read 20 minutes per day.

Your child has been working so hard throughout the school year. It's time to sail into summer and get ready for 1st grade. Children can forget what they've learned throughout the school year during the summer months. These books will help your child retain all the wonderful skills they learned this year. This list has some fun books your child might like to read, or you can read to your child. Both are beneficial. Listed below are some popular series books.

### **Books For Children to Practice Reading:**

Biscuit by Alyssa Satin

Bob Books (beginning readers)

Dr. Seuss beginning books by Dr. Seuss

Elephant and Piggie Books (series) by Mo Willems

Pete the Cat by James Dean

Henry and Mudge by Cynthia Rylant

### **Books for children to enjoy listening to (with a grown up):**

Arthur Books by Marc Brown

Berenstain Bears by Jan and Stan Berenstain

Fancy Nancy by Jane O'Connor

Fly Guy by Ted Arnold

If you give a Mouse... (series) by Laura Numerof

Knuffle Bunny by Mo Willems

Junie B. Jones by Barbara Park



## 2024 Mayfield City Schools Summer Reading For Students Entering Second Grade

- ✓ In Elementary school, children are developing on their own continuum. It is important to develop strength as a reader by reading many books that are “just right” for their ability. “Just right” books are books that you are 100% confident your child can read independently with ease. “Harder” books should be left for reading aloud together. Your child’s ability to comprehend a story by listening to it read aloud is much higher than their ability to understand it alone. It is our recommendation that every child should read 20 minutes per day.
- ✓ Several online resources that you can refer to are the [Cuyahoga County Public Library](#) summer reading program as well as the Mayfield City Schools online resources [click here](#) and look at the Library Media Centers at each elementary school.

Students may or may not be able to read these books independently.  
The reading experience can be shared with another person (parent, grandparent, etc.)

One Morning in Maine by Robert McClosky

Owl Moon by Jane Yolen

Goldilocks and the Three Bears by James Marshall

Polar Express or Jumanji by Chris Van Allsburg

Penny and Her Song by Kevin Henkes

Chicken Little by Steven Kellogg

A Story, A Story: An African Tale by Gail Haley

The Patchwork Quilt by Valerie Flournoy

Amelia Bedelia’s First Day Apple Pie by Peggy Parish

The Planets by Gail Gibbons

Napping House by Audrey Woods

Mercy Watson Goes for a Ride by Katie DiCamillo

Mixed Up Cameleon by Eric Carle

Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle

Zoozical by Judy Sierra

Nancy Clancy, Super Sleuth by Jane O’Connor

Junie B Jones by Barbara Park

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie by Laura Numeroff

Captain Awesome to the Rescue by Stan Kirby

Princess Posey and the First Grade Parade by

Stephanie Greene

Frog and Toad by Arnold Lobel

Cam Jansen by David Adler

You Read to Me, I’ll Read to You: Very Short Fairy

Tales to Read Together by Mary Ann Hoberman

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish

Horrible Harry by Suzy Kline

Henry and Mudge by Cynthia Rylant

### **Most students may be able to read the following list of books independently by the end of first grade.**

Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats

The Carrot Seed by Ruth Krauss

Each Peach, Pear, Plum by Janet Allberg

Scholastic Readers: Level 2-3

Go, Dog, Go by P.D. Eastman

David Goes to School by David Shannon

Freight Train by Donald Crews

Feathers for Lunch by Lois Ehlert

Pete the Cat series by Kimberly and James Deal

Fish Eyes by Lois Ehlert

Ready, Set, Go! by John Stadler

A Day In the Life Of (Series).... By Linda Hayward

Charlie Needs A Cloak by Tomie dePaola

All the Colors of the Rainbow by Allan Fowler

A Girl Named Helen Keller by Karen Schmidt

Wild Baby Animals by Karen Wallace

The Statue of Liberty by Lucille Penner

Slinky, Scaly Snakes by Jennifer Dussling

Bugs! Bugs! Bugs! By Jennifer Dussling

Spooky Riddles by Marc Brown



## 2024 Mayfield City Schools Summer Reading List For Students Entering Third Grade

- ✓ Every child should read 20 minutes per day
- ✓ Check out the [Cuyahoga County Public Library](#) for their fun summer reading program.
- ✓ For Mayfield City Schools online resources [click here](#) or go to our website and look at the Library Media Centers.

These books can be enjoyed independently or with an adult.

[The Stinky Cheese Man and other Fairly Stupid Tales](#) by Jon Scieszka

[Don't Fidget a Feather!](#) by Erica Silverman

[Planet Earth/Inside Out](#) by Gail Gibbons

[Could Be Worse!](#) by James Stevenson

[Snowflake Bentley](#) by Jacqueline Briggs

[Lulu's Hat](#) by Susan Meddaugh

[The Relatives Came](#) by Cynthia Rylant

[How Much is A Million?](#) by David Schwartz

[A Dazzling Display of Dogs](#) by Betsy Franco (poetry)

[Mathematically](#) by Betsy Franco (poetry)

[Rosa](#) by Nikki Giovanni

[Watch Out! Big Bro's Coming!](#) by Jez Alborough

[The Wreck of the Zephyr](#) by Chris Van Allsburg

[Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt](#) by Deborah Hopkinson

[The Bat in the Boot](#) by Annie Cannon

[John Henry](#) by Julius Lester

[The Wonder Book](#) by Amy Krouse Rosenthal

[Candy Bomber: The Story of the Berlin Airlift's Chocolate Pilot](#) by Michael O. Tunnell

[Dolores Meets Her Match](#) by Barbara Samuels

[Henry Aaron's Dream](#) by Matt Tavares

[The Seven Treasure Hunts](#) by Betsy Byars

[The Spy on Third Base](#) by Matt Christopher

[Prehistoric Actual Size](#) by Steve Jenkins

## SUMMER READING ENTERING THIRD GRADE CONTINUE

### SERIES SUGGESTIONS

*Magic Tree House* by Mary Pope Osbourne

*Who Was Biographies* and/or *Julian's World* and/or *Julian, Secret Agent* by Ann Cameron

*Amber Brown* by Paula Danziger

*Freckle Juice* by Judy Blume

*High Rise Private Eyes* by Cynthia Rylant

*Clementine* by Sara Pennypacker and Marla Frazee

*Ivy & Bean* by Annie Barrows and Sophie Blackall

*Whatever After Series* by Sarah Mlynowski

*My Weird School* by Dan Gutman

*Roscoe Riley Rules* by Katherine Applegate

*Big Nate* by Lincoln Peirce

*Just Grace Series* by Charise Maericle Harper

*I Survived* by Lauren Tarshis

*Rainbow Magic* by Daisy Meadows

*Puppy Tales* by W. Bruce Cameron

### Questions to Ask While Reading Fiction:

- Who is the main character? Describe him/her using three adjectives/ character traits.
- What is the main problem of the story? How was the problem solved?
- Is there anything you would change about the story?

### Questions to Ask While Reading Non Fiction:

- What are the most important ideas in the selection you read?
- What information in the text let you know?
- How and where could you find out more information about the topic you read about today?
- What else would you like to know about the topic you read?
- Were there any text features that helped you better understand your reading? What were they? How did they help you?



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Most students may be able to read the following list of books independently by the end of third grade

### **NON-FICTION:**

Babe Ruth by Guernsey VanRiper

Revolutionary Friends: General George Washington and the Marquis de Lafayette by Salene Castrovilla

Dolphin Talk: Whistles, Clicks, and Clapping

Jaws by Wendy Pfeffer and Helen Davie

### **REALISTIC FICTION:**

Superfudge by Judy Blume

Justin Case: School, Drool and Other Daily Disasters

Rachel Vail

Dying to Meet You by Kate Klise

The Seven Treasure Hunts by Betsy Byars

My Name is María Isabel by Alma Flor Ada

### **FANTASY:**

Strange Case of the Origami Yoda by Tom Angleberger

The Chocolate Touch by Patrick Skene Catling

The BFG by Roald Dahl

Bunnicula by James Howe

### **MYSTERY:**

The Trouble With Chickens: A J.J. Tully Mystery by Doreen Cronin

The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart

The Chameleon Wore Chartreuse: A Chet Gecko Mystery by Bruce Hale

The Maze of Bones by Rick Riordan

### **POETRY:**

Where the Sidewalk Ends by Shel Silverstein

If You're Not Here Raise Your Hand: Poems About School by Kalli Dakos

My America: A Poetry Atlas of the United States by Lee Bennett Hopkins

Paul Revere's Ride by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

### **GOOD SERIES TO READ:**

*Dying to Meet You* by Kate Klise

*A to Z Mysteries* by Ron Roy

*Big Nate* by Lincoln Pierce

*Time Warp Trio* by Jon Scieszka

*I Survived* by Lauren Tarshis

*Wayside School* by Louis Sachar

*Owly* by Andy Runton

### **Authors to Read**

Beverly Cleary

Matt Christopher

Deborah Wiles

Jerry Spinel



## 2024 Mayfield City Schools Summer Reading List For Students Entering Fifth Grade

- ✓ All incoming fifth graders need to read at least **TWO** chapter books at his or her reading level over the summer.
- ✓ A good guide is to have your child read about 20 minutes per day.
- ✓ Check out the [Cuyahoga County Public Library](#) for their fun summer reading program.
- ✓ For Mayfield City Schools online resources go to our website and look at the Library Media Centers at each elementary school.
- ✓ Below are some reading suggestions; however, your child may choose to read books that are not on this list.

Genre	Title	Author
Fiction series	<i>39 Clues</i>	Various authors
	<i>According to Humphrey</i>	Betty G. Birney
	<i>A Baseball Card Adventure</i>	Dan Gutman
	<i>Big Nate</i>	Lincoln Peirce
	<i>Bunnicula</i>	James Howe
	<i>Dear Dumb Diary</i>	Jim Benton
	<i>Diary of a Wimpy Kid</i>	Jeff Kinney
	<i>Goosebumps</i>	R.L. Stine
	<i>I Survived</i>	Lauren Tarshis
	<i>Million Dollar</i>	Dan Gutman

	<i>Ranger in Time</i>	Kate Messner
	<i>The Warriors</i>	Erin Hunter

SUMMER READING ENTERING FIFTH GRADE CONTINUED

<b>Graphic novel series</b>	<i>The Baby-Sitters Club</i>	Ann M. Martin
	<i>The Bad Guys</i>	Aaron Blabey
	<i>Dog Man</i>	Dav Pilkey
	<i>Emmie and Friends</i>	Terri Libenson
	<i>I Survived</i>	Graphix
	<i>Smile</i>	Raina Telgemeier
	<i>Sunny</i>	Jennifer L. Holm
<b>Nonfiction series</b>	<i>National Geographic Kids - Everything</i>	National Geographic
	<i>Weird but True</i>	National Geographic
	<i>Who Was?</i>	Various authors
	<i>Who Would Win?</i>	Jerry Pallotta

**Suggested Authors:**

- Katherine Applegate
- Tom Angleberger
- Joan Bauer
- Judy Blume
- Beverly Cleary
- Andrew Clements
- Christopher Paul Curtis
- Roald Dahl
- Kate DiCamillo
- Dan Gutman
- Lynda Mullaly Hunt
- Gordan Korman
- Cynthia Lord
- Wendy Mass
- Barbara O'Connor
- Gary Paulsen
- Shelley Pearsall
- Jason Reynolds
- Jewell Parker Rhodes
- Louis Sachar
- Jerry Spinelli
- Sarah Weeks
- Jacqueline Woodson