

Experts agree that children who read during the summer months gain reading skills, while those who do not often slide backwards. **Don't let your child experience the "summer slide"!** Choose books from the following list or head to the library and explore the shelves together. Children should read for at least 15 minutes each day.

A general rule for selecting books at the appropriate independent reading level is to choose a page and ask your child to read it aloud. If he or she does not know more than 5 words on the page, the book may be too difficult for them to read independently. Don't let that discourage them - consider reading a "too difficult" book aloud to your child. Your child is never too old to enjoy being read to. This opens the door for quality time and interesting conversations.

******Please have your child fill out a reading response sheet on a total of 4 books (2 fiction and 2 non-fiction) and return them on the first day of school.

The following is provided as only a list of suggested books. Please feel free to add any books that are appropriate for <u>your</u> reader! The staff in the children's area of the public library will also have many suggestions for you.

Suggested Authors and Books:

DePaola	Kit and Kat
Elhert	Feathers for Lunch
Galdone	What's in a Fox's Sack?
Henkes	Kitten's First Full Moon
London	Froggy Gets Dressed
Numeroff	If You Give a Mouse a Cookie
Pfister	The Rainbow Fish
Piper	The Little Engine That Could
Rathmann	Officer Buckle and Gloria
Seuss	Mr. Brown Can Moo! Can You?
Walsh	Mouse Paint
Wing	The Night Before 1st Grade

Recommendations for Advanced Readers:

Brown	Three Billy Goats Gruff	
Cannon	Stellaluna	
De Paola	Strega Nona	
Fredericks	Under One Rock: Bugs, Slugs and Other Ughs	
McCloskey	Time of Wonder	
Viorst	Alexander and the Terrible, No Good, Very Bad Day	
National Geographic Kids Science Series: Sharks, Butterflies, etc		

Suggested Authors and Series:

Bridwell	Clifford Series
Brown	Arthur Series
Capucilli	Biscuit Series
Eric Carle	
Falconer	Olivia Series
Hilbert	Dear Dragon Series
Johnson	Harold and the Purple Crayon series
Leo	Lionni
Lobel	Frog and Toad Series
McPhail	Bear, Bug and Boy Series
Willems	Elephant and Piggie Series
Rylant	Henry and Mudge Series
Knuffle	Bunny Series

Fiction

Name _____

Title: Author:	Title: Author:
Author: How did you like this book? Color one. Wy favorite part about this book was (Draw a picture) (Draw a picture)	Author: How did you like this book? Color one. Wy favorite part about this book was (Draw a picture) (Draw a picture)
Write one sentence about this book.	Write one sentence about this book.

Non-Fiction Name _____

Title: Author:	Title:
Author: How did you like this book? Color one. Define the solution of the so	Author: How did you like this book? Color one. Define the solution of the so
Write one sentence about this book.	Write one sentence about this book.