

Fifth Grade Summer Reading

Dear Parents,

Fostering a love of reading and thinking creatively has many rewards! As your children assemble next year as the 5th grade class, we will join in the common purpose of growing in knowledge through the love of books!

As rising 5th graders, there will be two parts to summer reading:

The first part of the 5th grade summer reading requirement will require the students to read one book from the list provided and complete the follow-up Mint Tin Project. (See attached document)

The second part of the 5th grade summer reading requirement will require students to pick one book from the Who Was series and complete the Biography Planning Activity. (See attached document)

I hope this requirement will encourage your child to continue reading over the summer. We look forward to seeing you and your child in the fall!

Happy Reading!

Mrs. Blamires

Mint Tin Book Activity

1. First, read one of the books from the list below and complete the attached Mint Tin Book Project.

BL: 4.3 - AR Pts: 8.0

Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper

BL: 4.7 - AR Pts: 2.0

On My Honor by Marion Dane Bauer

BL: 4.7 - AR Pts: 13.0

The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

BL: 5.6 - AR Pts: 18.0

The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton L. Stewart

BL: 6.2 - AR Pts: 13.0

The Dark is Rising by Susan Cooper

For your project you'll need one common mint or [Altoids](#) tin that is approximately 3½ inch by 2¼ inch and the attached eight panel accordion template.

Top Cover – Make a cover that includes the books title, author, and a picture.

Inside Cover – Draw a picture of a scene that stood out to you. Put the background in first then add a second layer to make it have depth.

Eight Panel Accordion Template: Complete, cut out, and color the attachment

Setting – Describe the main setting of the text through words or a picture.

Characters – Describe the main character and one minor character.

Conflict – Describe the main problem that arises in the text.

Resolution – Describe how the problem was solved.

Favorite Part – Describe your favorite part of the book.

Opinion – Give your opinion about the book.

Theme – Tell me the theme/lesson of the book using text evidence.

Figurative Language – Identify four examples of figurative language.

Include the example and identify if it is a simile, metaphor, personification, hyperbole, or idiom.

Bottom of the Tin – Here is where you will write your name.



Biography Planning Activity

Pick a book from the Who Was... series, read it carefully, then complete the activity below using cursive. This will be used for a project that you will create your first few days back.

A. Describe your person's thoughts, feelings, and ideas.

B. Write down quotes that this person said.

C. List the feelings and emotions that this person experienced in their life.

D. Explain what motivated this person.

E. List at least four important things that your person did.

Mint Tin Inserts

RESOLUTION

CONFLICTS

CHARACTERS

SETTING

FIGURATIVE
LANGUAGE

THEME

OPINION

FAVORITE PART

Mint Tin Cover & Background Templates

