

Summer Reading for Students Entering Second Grade

Literacy Begins at Home



The goal of our summer reading program is to encourage the enjoyment of reading, as well as, to encourage regular reading habits. Summer reading is a time when children can focus on reading what interests them.

FIRST: Second grade students are required to read a minimum of ten books over the summer. (Preferably read as one book per week)
You may choose from the following books:

- Any book title from authors of the list provided
- Any first readers (leveled reading series)
- Any book recommended by the public librarian

SECOND: Students should complete a reading log. (attached)

THIRD: Students will choose one character from ONE of the stories they read and complete a character sketch called "Summer Friends." (attached)

DUE: All items are due the second Friday after school begins.
This will appear as a reading grade for the first quarter.



Grade 2 Suggested Summer Reading List:

Look for these fiction authors:

- Ted Arnold
- Jose Aruego
- Jan Brett
- Marc Brown
- Ann Cameron
- Peter Catalanotto
- Lauren Child
- Tomie De Paola
- Lisa Campbell Ernst
- Julies Feiffer
- D. B. Johnson
- Tony Johnston
- Barbara Joosse
- Kathryn Lasky
- Kevin Henkes
- Steven Kellogg
- Helen Lester
- Leo Lionni
- James Marshall
- Susan Meddaugh
- Matt Novak
- Laura Numeroff
- Margie Palatini
- Bill Peet
- Cynthia Rylant
- Robert D. San Souci
- Alan Say
- David Shannon
- William Steig
- Jean Van Leeuwen
- Rosemary Wells
- David Wiesner
- Audry Wood

Explore nonfiction books by these authors:

- Jim Arnosky
- David Adler
- Douglas Florian (poetry)
- Gail Gibbons
- Deborah Heiligman
- Steve Jenkins
- Jerry Pollotta
- Seymour Simon
- Greg Tang

Browse for your favorite series:

- All Aboard Science Reader
- Any alphabet book
- Any Caldecott winner/honor
- Any counting book
- Boxcar Children Mysteries
- Curious George
- Dial Easy-to-Read
- DK Readers
- Frog and Toad
- Froggy
- George and Martha
- Gus and Grandpa
- Henry and Mudge
- Horrible Harry
- I am Reading
- Iris and Walter
- Junie B. Jones
- Little Bill Books
- Minnie and Moo
- Mr. Putter and Tabby
- Nate the Great
- Pinky and Rex
- Ready-to-Read
- Rookie Biographies
- Rookie Read-about...
- Rookie Reader
- See More Readers
- Step into Reading
- Toot and Puddle
- Young Cam Jansen

2nd Grade Reading Log

Title & Author	<u>Genre:</u> Fiction Nonfiction Other	<u>I read this book:</u> 1-Quietly to myself 2-Aloud by myself 3- Aloud with help	<u>Difficulty:</u> 1- Easy 2-Just Right 3-Hard	<u>Opinion:</u> 1-Didn't like 2-Okay 3-Good 4-Great

Parent's Signature: _____

Name: _____

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Summer Friends

Character Sketch

Draw a picture of a character who you would want to be your friend.

Write the title of the book in which this character appears.

Give 2 reasons (using details from the book) to tell why this character would make a good friend.

1.

2.

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Summer Reading Rubric
Grade 2



Student Name: _____

Category	3	2	1	Score/Comments
Reading Log	10 books logged correctly with complete title, author and parent signature.	6-9 books logged correctly or missing one or two parts	5 or less books logged correctly or missing 3 or more parts	
Character Sketch	Completed character sketch showing much understanding with all parts clearly written.	Sketch missing some parts or shows some evidence of understanding	Sketch is missing many parts or shows little understanding.	
Content of Character Sketch	All components in sketch are completed in full detail.	Sketch completed but few specific details are given.	Minimal details on sketch. It contains missing parts/ one word answers.	
Effort and Quality	Wrote answers doing personal best writing; paper is neat.	Wrote answers showing good effort; paper is mostly neat.	Little effort was given during writing; paper is not neat.	

Score: _____

Grade: _____