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SUGGESTED AND REQUIRED SUMMER READING LIST 2026-2027

Books for students entering **SECOND GRADE**:

Choose **one** based on child's reading level:

Suggested: Easy – Any book that is at your child's reading level; On Level – *InvestiGators* by John Patrick Green, *The Zoey and Sassafras Series* by Asia Citro, *Rainbow Magic Series* by Daisy Meadows; Challenge – Any *Magic Tree House Book* by Mary Pope Osborne, *Ramona Quimby* by Beverly Cleary or *The Mouse and the Motorcycle* by Beverly Cleary

Books for students entering **THIRD GRADE**:

Required: *Magic Tree House #23 "Twister on Tuesday"* by Mary Pope Osborne

Suggested: *Magic Tree House #21 "Civil War on Sunday"* by Mary Pope Osborne,

Any book in the **Who Was....** Series, Any book by authors Beverly Cleary or Judy Blume

Books for students entering **FOURTH GRADE**:

Required: *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* by Judy Blume

Suggested: *The Cricket In Times Square* by George Seldon, and any book in the *I Survived....* Series by Lauren Tarshis

Books for students entering **FIFTH GRADE**:

Required: *Because of Winn-Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo

Suggested: *Holes* by Louis Sachar; *Smile* by Raina Telgemeier; *Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Mullaly Hunt; *My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George

Books for students entering **SIXTH GRADE**:

Required: *Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli

Suggested: *Hatchett* by Gary Paulsen; *The 6th Grade Nickname Game* by Gordon Korman; *Rules* by Cynthia Lord

Books for students entering **SEVENTH GRADE**:

Required: *Fever 1793* by Laurie Halse Anderson and *The City of Ember* by Jeanne DePrau

Suggested: *Johnny Tremain* by Esther Forbes; *The Story of Harriet Tubman – Freedom Train* by Dorothy Sterling

Books for students entering **EIGHTH GRADE**:

Required: *To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee; *The Giver* by Lois Lowry

Suggested: *Wednesday Wars* by Gary D. Schmidt; *The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin