



Summer Reading
Second Grade Students 2015-2016



Dear Parents,

Your child has grown to be a wonderful reader this year. He or she has gained many reading skills that need to be practiced over the summer to ensure retention. Summer reading is the bridge between the end of one school year and the beginning of the next school year.

To further develop reading appreciation and to practice reading strategies, all second grade students will be required to complete the attached assignment. Please decide when it is necessary to read a story with your child. A simple rule of thumb for helping your child select books at their reading level is to have them choose a page from the book (not the first page) and read it aloud to you. If he or she does not know five or more words, then the book is too hard for pleasant reading.

Below are a few reading strategies that you may wish to use with your child so he or she receives the maximum benefit from the summer reading experience:

- Pre-read the story by examining the illustrations
- Use phonics to decode words
- Make and confirm predictions
- Sequence events and summarize the story
- Re-read the story: silently, orally, or together
- Identify the beginning, middle, and end of the story
- Identify the problem and the solution in the story
- Select special words you wish to remember and add them to a notebook

Upon returning to school, your child will take the Accelerated Reader (AR) comprehension test on their book.

Enjoy your reading time together this summer!

Many Blessings,

Second Grade Teachers

2nd Grade Summer Reading Assignment

Book Report - Fiction

Students may choose one chapter book to read of their choice from the list provided. The book report paper is attached to this packet. The children must bring in their book as well as their report ready to present to the class on the first day of school.

Suggested Summer Reading List for your "to be" second grader!

Please select one chapter book to read from the suggested series below:

- David Adler - "Young Cam Jansen" series
- Barbara Park - "Junie B. Jones" series
- Cynthia Rylant - "Henry and Mudge" series
- Marjorie W. Sharmat - "Nate the Great" series

Nonfiction Books & Report

Below is a list of nonfiction books your child may pick from. Only pick ONE book to read and complete the NONFICTION report attached to this packet.

- Ruby Bridges Goes to School: My True Story by Ruby Bridges
- Tito Puente: Mambo King/Rey del Mambo by Monica Brown
- National Geographic Kids: Weather by Kristin Baird Rattini

Happy Reading!!

Name:

My Book Report (Fiction)

Title of my book:

The author's name is:

The illustrator's name is: (if there isn't an illustrator, then leave this part blank.)

Who was your favorite character in the book? Why? (Explain)

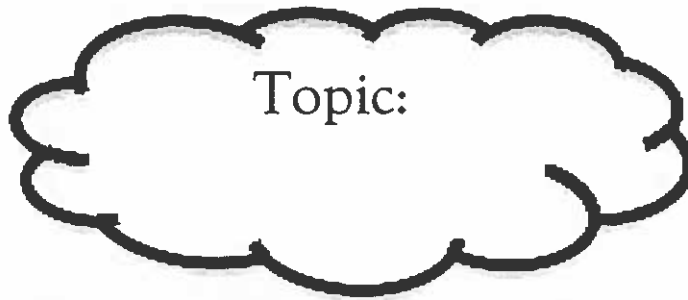
Draw a picture of what happened:
(Sequence of Events)

Beginning:

Middle:

End:

My Nonfiction Book Report



Book Title: _____

Author: _____

Name three things you learned in the story.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Why did the author write this story?

- information (to teach us)
- entertainment (for our enjoyment)

Draw a picture of something you learned in the story.