

OPTIONAL TRMS Summer Reading



WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO READ OVER THE SUMMER?



Research shows that **students can maintain or improve reading skills** when they are out of school for the summer.

Access to books over the summer increases reading opportunities and enjoyment of books, and **helps students be ready for next school year.**

Students who read **at least five books** during the summer can maintain important literacy skills.

Teachers' suggestions for free choice books for students entering 6th grade:

Authors/Series	Book Titles
Alan Gratz books Rick Riordan books K.J. Alexander books Watt Key books Dan Geminhart books Svetlana Chmakova graphic novels Raina Telgemeier graphic novels Among the Hidden series by Margaret Peterson Haddix	<i>Out of My Mind</i> - Sharon Draper <i>Spy School</i> - Stuart Gibbs <i>Nightbooks</i> - J.A. White <i>Deep and Dark and Dangerous</i> - Mary Downing Hahn <i>Fish in a Tree</i> - Linda Mullaly Hunt <i>Middle School: Get Me Out of Here</i> - James Patterson

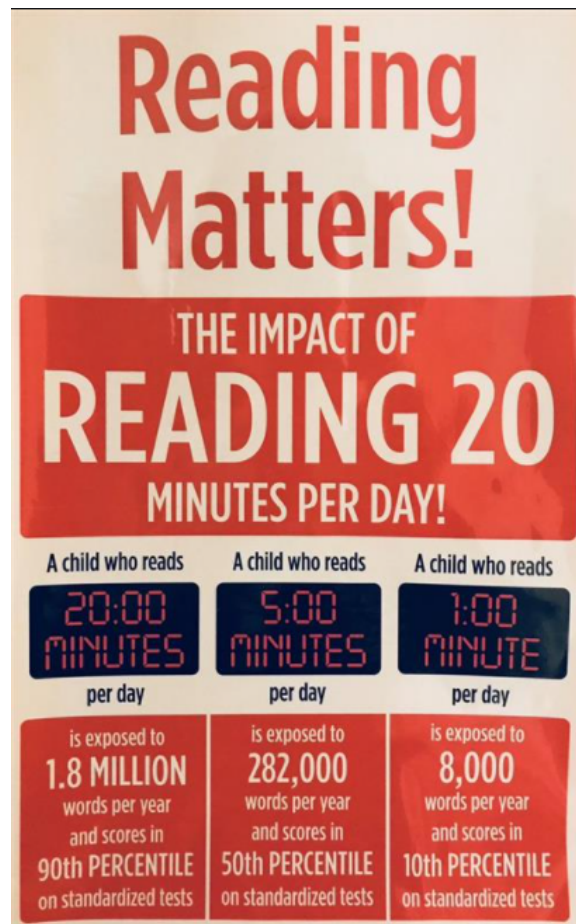
Teachers' suggestions for free choice books for students entering 7th grade:

Authors/Series	Book Titles
Dan Gutman-Baseball Card Adventures (<i>Mickey and Me</i>) Gary Paulsen-The Hatchet Series (<i>Hatchet</i>) Erin Hunter, Dan Jolley-The Warrior Series Gordon Korman- Titanic trilogy, Everest trilogy, Kidnapped trilogy Maze Runner Series by James Dashner	<i>Batboy</i> _-Mike Lupica <i>Stargirl</i> - Jerry Spinelli <i>The War that Saved My Life</i> -Kimberly Brubaker Bradley <i>Making Bombs for Hitler</i> - Marsha Forchuk Skrypuch <i>Forget Me Not</i> - Ellie Terry <i>Buddy</i> - Matt Herlong <i>Body in the Woods</i> -April Henry

Teachers' suggestions for free choice books for students entering 8th grade:

Authors/Series	Book Titles
Amulet series by Kazu Kibuishi	<i>The Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens</i> - Sean Covey
Shades of London series by Maureen Johnson	<i>Flying Lessons & Other Stories</i> - Ellen Oh
Life As We Knew It series by Susan Beth Pfeffer	<i>Calling All Minds; How to Think and Create Like an Inventor</i> - Temple Grandin
Bone series by Jeff Smith	<i>Monster</i> -Walter Dean Myers
LumberJanes series by Noelle Stevenson and Grace Ellis	<i>Dry</i> - Neil Shusterman
Wings of Fire series by Tui. T Sutherland	<i>Drama</i> - Raina Telegemeier
I Survived (nonfiction) various authors	<i>Sunny Side Up</i> - Jennifer L Holm
Survival series by Gary Paulsen	<i>Moxie</i> - Jennifer Matthieu
The Last Kids on Earth series by Rodman Philbric	<i>Tiger Eyes</i> - Judy Blume
	<i>Ground Zero</i> - Alan Grantz
	<i>Blended</i> - Sharon R Draper
	<i>Rules of Survival</i> - Nancy Werlin
	<i>I Will Always Write Back</i> -Caitlin Alifirenka and Martin Welch
	<i>I Am Still Alive</i> - Kate Alice Marshall
	<i>Orchards</i> - Holly Thompson
	<i>Everything, Everything</i> - Nicola Yoon
	<i>All American Boys</i> - Jason Reynolds
	<i>Love in English</i> - Maria Andreu
	<i>Soul Surfer</i> - Bethany Hamilton

This is not required reading. These are suggestions for reading you may do over the summer!



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Fun OPTIONAL Summer Reading Menu

How many can you try?

Read with a friend	Talk to a friend or family member about a book you are reading	Read under a shady tree	Read with a pet
Read a book from your local library and get a library card if you don't already have one	Read every day for a week or more	Read on a beach	Take a selfie of you reading
Write about what you read	Read at a park	Read a book recommended to you	Read with a family member
Read while camping	Read before bed	Read to a grandparent	Read in a cozy chair or bean bag
Read a book and write a letter to your favorite author	Convince someone else to read a book you love	Hold a book talk	Create a book club
Tik tok or instagram about a book	Take a selfie of you and a book in another town/state/country	Take a book to summer camp	See how many books you can read by the same author
Go to your public library and take a look at their reading lists and incentives	Read a book and watch its movie or TV show version	Read out loud	Read as soon as you wake up in the morning
Read a book in a genre that you haven't tried	Read a book written in verse	Read a graphic novel	Read a book and write an alternate ending for it
Explain why a book should be made into a movie	Make a soundtrack for a book you read	Create a one pager of your book	Design a new cover for a book you read

Summer Reading



Dear TRMS Community,

As you know, there is no assigned summer work this year; however, the reading show must go on. This year, our students have a few options from which to choose their next great story:

- TRMS library book check-out - this is available to current 6th and 7th graders who are in good standing with the library (no overdue books or fines due to damaged/lost materials).
- Sora - our free reading app, found within students' Google apps - available to *all* of Timberlane students. Sora has both audio and e-books. Connect your public library card to widen your search.
- Did you know that your town library has a summer reading program? Stop by or visit their website for more information. While you're there, check out a book!

No matter which option you choose, we hope you have a wonderful summer...WITH A BOOK IN YOUR HAND!
