



June 2011

Dear Future Second Graders,

I'm looking forward to having you in second grade next year. Reading should be a fun part of every day and you'll be involved with lots of exciting reading projects in class. In order to get ready for second grade, I encourage you to read some good books this summer. On the following pages, you will find information about the Summer Reading. Each student must read at least 4 books and complete an activity for each one. A list of suggested books is attached. Enjoy!

Sincerely,

Your Second Grade Teacher

*Miss Erin McNulty*

# Summer Reading List

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**\*\*This record sheet and the activities need to be returned to Miss McNulty  
by August 22, 2011.**

# Summer Reading

**Choose an activity from this list for each book that you have read:**

1. Design a new “book jacket” for your book.

**Inside flap** - Write a brief description of the book.

**Front cover** - Write the author’s name and the title. Draw a picture that shows something about the contents of the book.

**Back cover** - Tell why you think this is a good book.

2. Make a bookmark for the book. List the title and author and draw a character on the front of the bookmark. Give a brief summary of the book on the back.
3. Write a letter to the author of the book you read. Share your thoughts and feelings about the book.
4. Draw a favorite part of your book. Don’t copy an illustration that was already done in the book.
5. Make a “cut-out” of one of the characters and write about them in the parts of their body.
6. Write 5 things you learned while reading the book.
7. Create a postcard from one of the characters. Draw a picture on one side; write the message on the other.
8. You must give up your favorite pet (whom you love very much) to one of the characters in the book. Which character would you choose? Why?
9. Make a collage/poster showing your favorite part of the story. Write a sentence or two to convince a friend why they should also read the book.
10. Write a letter to a character in the book and tell them three or more reasons why you would choose them to be your friend.

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and the Beverly Hills Library for the summer book list.)

## JP FICTION

Addy, Sharon. **Lucky Jake**  
Allard, Harry. **The Stupids Step Out**  
Ashley, Bernard. **Cleversticks**  
Bemelmans, Ludwig. **Madeline**  
Banks, Kate. **Max's Words**  
Buehner, Caralyn. **Superdog: The Heart of a Hero**  
Bunting, Eve. **The Wednesday Surprise**  
Burningham, John. **Mr. Gumpy's Outing.**  
Caudill, Rebecca. **A Pocketful of Cricket**  
Choi, Yangsook. **The Name Jar**  
Coffelt, Nancy. **Fred Stays With Me**  
Connor, Leslie. **Miss Bridie Chose a Shovel**  
Cooney, Barbara. **Miss Rumphius**  
Cronin, Doreen. **Diary of a Worm**  
Delaney, M. C. **Birdbrain Amos, Mr. Fun**  
Donaldson, Julia. **The Gruffalo**  
Dowson, Nick. **Tigress**  
Dunrea, Olivier. **Gossie**  
Egan, Tim. **The Pink Refrigerator**  
English, Karen. **Hot Day on Abbott Avenue**  
Ernst, Lisa. **Stella Louella's Runaway Book**  
Falconer, Ian. **Olivia series**  
Flack, Marjorie. **The Story About Ping**  
Fleischman, Paul. **Weslandia**  
Fleming, Candace. **Gator Gumbo...**  
Flournoy, Valeria. **The Patchwork Quilt**  
Frazee, Marla. **Roller Coaster**  
Friedman, Ina R. **How My Parents Learned to Eat**  
Friend, Catherine. **The Perfect Nest**  
Gag, Wanda. **Nothing at All**  
Gantos, Jack. **Rotten Ralph series**  
German, Golden. **Doodler Doodling**  
Grey, Mini. **The Adventures of the Dish and the Spoon**  
Harrington, Janice. **The Chicken-Chasing Queen of Lamar County**  
Henkes, Kevin. **Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse**  
Hesse, Karen. **Come On, Rain!**  
Hest, Amy. **The Purple Coat**  
Hoban, Russell. **Bedtime for Frances**  
Howard, Arthur. **Hoodwinked**  
Hutchins, Pat. **Good Night Owl.**  
Jenkins, Emily. **That New Animal**  
Juster, Norton. **The Hello, Goodbye Window**  
Kraus, Robert. **Leo the Late Bloomer**

Krauss, Ruth. **The Carrot Seed**  
LaRochelle, David. **The End**  
Lee, Spike. **Please, Puppy, Please**  
Long, Melinda. **How I Became a Pirate**  
Loomis, Christine. **Astro Bunnies**  
Ljungkvist, Laura. **Follow the Line.**  
Macaulay, David. **Angelo**  
Marshall, James. **George and Martha** *series*  
Martin, Bill. **Chicka Chicka Boom Boom**  
McCloskey, Robert. **One Morning in Maine**  
McKissack, Pat. **Flossie & the Fox**  
McMullan, Kate. **I Stink!**  
McPhail, David M. **Edward and the Pirates**  
Meddaugh, Susan. **Hog-Eye**  
Mora, Pat. **Dona Flor: A Tall Tale...**  
Moss, Lloyd. **Zin!Zin! Zin!: A Violin**  
Napoli, Donna Jo. **Albert**  
O Flatharta, Antoine. **Hurry and the Monarch**  
O'Neill, Alexis. **The Recess Queen**  
Palatini, Margie. **The Web Files**  
Payne, Emmy. **Katy No-Pocket**  
Peet, Bill. **Chester, the Worldly Pig**  
Pinkwater, Daniel. **Irving and Muktuk: Two Bad Bears**  
Polacco, Patricia. **The Bee Tree**  
Raschka, Chris. **Like, Likes, Like**  
Rathmann, Peggy. **Officer Buckle and Gloria**  
Scieszka, Jon. **Cow and Octopus**  
Shannon, David. **No, David!**  
Sierra, Judy. **The Secret Science Project That Almost Ate the School**  
Simont, Marc. **The Stray Dog**  
Slangerup, Erik John. **Dirt Boy**  
Slobodkina, Esphyr. **Caps for Sale**  
Soto, Gary **Chato's Kitchen**  
Spinelli, Eileen. **Sophie's Masterpiece...**  
Stevenson, James. **No Laughing, No Smiling, No Giggling**  
Stohner, Ann. **Brave Charlotte**  
Valckx, Catharina. **Lizette's Green Sock**  
Van Allsburg, Chris. **Jumanji**  
Wallace, Nancy. **Look! Look! Look!**  
Walsh, Ellen. **Dot & Jabber** *Mystery series*  
Watt, Melanie. **Scaredy Squirrel**  
Wells, Rosemary. **Timothy Goes to School**  
**Why Did the Chicken Cross the Road?** A collection of jokes illustrated by fourteen artists  
Willems, Mo. **Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!**  
Williams, Vera B. **Amber Was Brave, Essie Was Smart**  
Winter, Jeanette. **Mama: A True Story in which...**

Wong, Janet S. **Apple Pie 4th of July**  
Woodson, Jacqueline. **Coming On Home Soon**  
Yashima, Taro. **Umbrella**

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## **J READER**

Brown, Laurene. **Rex and Lilly** *series*  
Byars, Betsy Cromer. **The Golly Sisters** *series*  
Cushman, Doug. **Inspector Hopper**  
Guest, Elissa. **Iris and Walter** *series*  
Hoff, Syd. **Danny and the Dinosaur**  
LeSieg, Theo. **Wacky Wednesday**  
Livingstone, Star. **Harley**  
Lobel, Arnold. **Frog and Toad** *series*  
Marshall, James. **Fox Be Nimble**  
Minarik, Else Holmelund. **Little Bear** *series*  
Ries, Lori. **Aggie and Ben:Three Stories**  
Rylant, Cynthia. **Mr. Putter & Tabby** *series*  
Sharmat, Marjorie Weinman. **Nate the Great** *series*  
Van Leeuwen, Jean. **Tales of Oliver Pig**

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## **J BRIDGES**

Adler, David A. **Cam Jansen** *series*  
Ahlberg, Allan. **Half a Pig**  
Bang-Campbell, Monika. **Little Rat Rides** *series*  
Blume, Judy. **Freckle Juice**  
Brown, Jeff. **Flat Stanley** *series*  
Cleary, Beverly. **Muggie Maggie**  
Danziger, Paula. **Amber Brown** *series*  
DiCamillo, Kate. **Mercy Watson** *series*  
Fleischman, Sid. **McBroom & the Great Adventure**  
Gannet, Ruth S. **My Father's Dragon**  
Gilson, Jamie. **Gotcha!**  
Howe, James. **Pinky and Rex** *series*  
Kline, Suzy. **Herbie Jones** *series*  
LeGuin, Ursula. **Catwings** *series*  
Lowry, Lois. **Gooney Bird Greene.**  
Marshall, James. **Rats on the Roof**  
Osborne, Mary Pope **Magic Tree House** *series*  
Park, Barbara. **Junie B. Jones** *series*  
Pilkey, Dav. **Ricky Ricotta** *series*  
Sachar, Louis. **Marvin Redpost** *series*