



Summer Reading 2021



Dear Rising 5th graders,

Welcome to 5th grade! You will complete two assignments: reading and math. As a 5th grader, your first assignment will be to complete your summer reading. Students are to read *The Egypt Game* by Zilpha Snyder and *El Deafo* by Cece Bell over the summer. You need to complete one activity for each book. You will then read a book of your choice under #3. Both reading and math assignments are due on the first day of school.

1. **The Egypt Game**: You must complete one of the following activities for this book.
 - **Sequel**: Students will write a sequel to *The Egypt Game*, including a complete storyline. This should be two pages, with characters, setting, and a conflict which the characters face, just like in *The Egypt Game*. While there is a sequel already called *The Gypsy Game*, you need to come up with something on your own that is different and creative.
 - **Compare**: In a 5 paragraph essay, answer the following: How has April changed from the beginning of the book to the end of the book? What events or experiences brought about those changes? Cite examples from the book.

2. **El Deafo**: After you have read the book, write a paragraph comparing and contrasting yourself to the author, Cece Bell. Your paragraph should be 5-7 sentences.

3. **Book of Your Choice**: Choose a book from the selected list below. Then choose one of the following assignments.

Suggested Books

- *Some Writer: The Story of E.B. White* – Melissa Sweet
- *Sent* – Margaret Peterson Haddix
- *King Arthur and His Knights of the Round Table* – Roger Green
- *Save Me a Seat* – Sarah Weeks
- *Dear Mr. Henshaw* – Beverly Cleary
- *Frindle* – Andrew Clements
- *In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson* – Bette Bao Lord

Choice Book

- ✓ **Redesigning the Cover**: You will redesign the cover of your chosen book. Make sure that it is creative, colored, and relates to the book. It should entice someone to read the book. Please complete this on 8.5 X 11 paper.

Math: Each student will have the Summer Skills Math book. All lessons must be completed and turned on the first day of school.

I am very excited to start a FANTASTIC year together! Be prepared to learn and have a ton of fun! Have an awesome summer!

God Bless,

Mrs. Morris