



## Summer Learning 1-2-3 READ

How can students keep their literacy skills nimble and enjoy reading all summer long? With the JCDS summer reading program, it's as easy as 1-2-3!

1. Students have one required reading book
2. Students will read two books from the authors listed below
3. Students will read three books of their choosing

As students read books and discuss them with their parents, they will record them in the reading log on the back of the Summer Learning Checklist. In the fall, the entire school will participate in a Summer Learning Celebration day centered around each grade-level required reading book.

### **ONE!**

In grades 2-6, there is one required reading book:

- Entering 2nd: *Mercy Watson To the Rescue* by Kate DiCamillo
- Entering 3rd: *School Days According to Humphrey* by Betty G. Birney
- Entering 4th: *Charlotte's Web* by E. B. White
- Entering 5th: *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate
- Entering 6th: *Wonder* by Raquel J. Palacio

### **TWO!**

Students are also required to read two books from this list of authors:

Entering 2nd Grade:

Arnold Lobel  
Marjorie Sharmat (Nate the Great)  
Cynthia Rylant (Henry and Mudge)  
Harry Allard (Ms. Nelson series)  
James Marshall  
Mary Pope Osborne  
Peggy Parish (Amelia Bedelia)  
Kate DiCamillo (Mercy Watson)  
Kate McMullen (Fluffy series)  
Tedd Arnold (Fly Guy)

Entering 3rd Grade:

James Howe (Tales from the House of Bunnica)  
Geronimo Stilton (Geronimo, Thea, or Creepella)  
Jeff Brown (Flat Stanley series)  
David Adler (Cam Jansen)  
Ron Roy (A to Z Mysteries & Calendar Mysteries)  
Jim Benton (Franny K. Stein)  
Katherine Applegate (Roscoe Riley Rules)  
James Preller (Jigsaw Jones)

Ann Barrows (Ivy and Bean)  
American Girls series (various authors)

Entering 4th Grade:

Ursula Vernon (Dragon Breath & Hamster Princess)  
Katy Kelly (Melonhead & Lucy Rose)  
Shawn Stout (Penelope Crumb)  
Roland Smith (Storm Runners)  
Eleanor Hawkins (Sammy Feral's Diaries of Weird)  
Bryan Chick (The Secret Zoo)  
Gertrude Warner (Boxcar Children)  
Obert Skye (Creature from My Closet)  
Donald Sobol (Encyclopedia Brown)  
Bruce Hale (Chet Gecko)  
Tony Abbott (Secrets of Droon)  
Megan McDonald (Judy Moody & Stink)  
Mike Lupica (Game Changers & Comeback Kids)

Entering 5th Grade:

Keith Hemstreet (Travels with Gannon & Wyatt)  
Henry Winkler (Hank Zipzer)  
Carole Marsh Mysteries  
Magaret Peterson Haddix  
Dan Gutman (Genius Files)  
Gordon Korman, Michael Buckley (NERDS)  
Jacqueline West (Books of Elsewhere)  
Suzanne Selfors (Imaginary Veterinary)  
Jeff Stone (Five Ancestors)  
Tui T. Sutherland (Wings of Fire)

Entering 6th Grade:

Pseudonymous Bosch  
Lois Lowry  
Eoin Colfer  
Gary Paulsen  
Georgia Byng (Molly Moon)  
Peg Kehret  
Shannon Messenger (Keeper of the Lost Cities)  
Christopher Healy (Hero's Guide)  
Chris D'Lacey  
Dear America diary series (various authors)  
Trenton Lee Stewart (Mysterious Benedict Society)  
Keith Hemstreet (Travels with Gannon & Wyatt)  
John Flanagan (Ranger's Apprentice)  
Roland Smith (I.Q. & Cryptid)

**THREE!**

Students will read at least three additional age-appropriate books of their choosing. Please consider non-fiction choices in addition to novels and poetry.

While students are asked to read the minimum of six books, the expectation is that they will read and enjoy many, many books over the summer. Parents of younger students are welcome to read the stories with and even to their children. A reading log to record the books is included on the back of your Summer Learning Checklist.