

Rising 5th-Grade Summer Reading

*“There is no such thing as a child who hates to read;
there are only children who have not found the right book.”*

– Frank Serafini

You are on your honor not to select books that you have previously read independently or studied in any class.

Veterans Day. Please select at least **one** of these books to enhance your studies of Veterans Day in fifth grade.

- Stubby the War Dog: The True Story of World War I's Bravest Dog* by Ann Bausum
- Who Were the Navajo Code Talkers?* by James Buckley
- African Americans and the Revolutionary War* by Judith E. Harper
- African American War Heroes* by James B. Martin
- Remembering Our Heroes: Veterans Day* by Kelly Rodgers
- Crispus Attucks and African American Patriots of the American Revolution* by Brian Siddons
- I Survived the Battle of D-Day, 1944* by Lauren Tarshis
- I Survived The Bombing of Pearl Harbor, 1941* by Lauren Tarshis
- Japanese American Internment Camps (Heroes of World War II)* by Laura Hamilton Waxman

Historical Fiction. Select at least **one** book from the following list to enhance your studies of Colonial America and the Revolutionary War.

- Sophia's War: A Tale of the Revolution* by Avi
- A True Patriot: The Journal of William Thomas Emerson, a Revolutionary War Patriot, Boston, Massachusetts, 1774* by Barry Denenberg
- The Winter of Red Snow: The Diary of Abigail Jane Stewart, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, 1777* by Kristiana Gregory
- Lorenzo and the Turncoat* by Lila and Rick Guzmán
- A Journey to the New World: The Diary of Remember Patience Whipple, Mayflower, 1620* by Kathryn Lasky
- Look to the Hills: The Diary of Lozette Moreau, a French Slave Girl, New York Colony, 1763* by Patricia McKissack
- The Journal of Jasper Jonathan Pierce: A Pilgrim boy, Plymouth, 1620* by Ann Rinaldi

Free Choice! You may choose any work of fiction or nonfiction of your own choice. If you're having trouble making a choice, here are some suggestions:

- Return to Sender* by Julia Alvarez
- Masterpiece* by Elise Broach
- Awkward* by Svetlana Chmakova
- Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis
- Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper
- The Math Inspectors* by Daniel Kennedy and Emily Boever
- The People Could Fly* by Virginia Hamilton
- Little Leaders* by Vashti Harrison
- The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster
- Feeding the Young Athlete: Sports Nutrition Made Easy for Players, Parents, and Coaches* by Cynthia Lair
- The Leaf Detective: How Margaret Lowman Uncovered Secrets in the Rainforest* by Heather Lang
- Bravo!: Poems About Amazing Hispanics* by Margarita Engle and illustrated by Rafael Lopez
- Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan
- All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team* by Christina Soontornvat
- The Bad Beginning: A Series of Unfortunate Events* by Lemony Snicket