



## Fifth Grade Summer Reading List

**Students should read any two books from this list.**

<p><b>Hatchet</b> By Paulsen, Gary ISBN-13: 978-1-41693-646-6 After a plane crash, thirteen-year-old Brian spends fifty-four days in the Canadian wilderness, learning to survive initially with only the aid of a hatchet given him by his mother, and learning also to survive his parents' divorce.</p>
<p><b>The Last Battle</b> By Lewis, C. S ISBN-13: 978-0-06-447108-4 When evil comes to Narnia, Jill and Eustace help to fight the great last battle and Aslan leads his people to a glorious new paradise.</p>
<p><b>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</b> By O'Brien, Robert C ISBN-13: 978-0-689-71068-1 With nowhere else to turn, a field mouse asks the clever escaped lab rats living under the rosebush to help save her son, who lies in the path of the farmer's tractor, too ill to be moved.</p>
<p><b>Prince Caspian</b> By Lewis, C. S ISBN-13: 978-0-06-447105-3 Four children help Prince Caspian and his army of Talking Beasts to free Narnia from evil.</p>
<p><b>Snow Treasure</b> By McSwigan, Marie ISBN-13: 978-0-14-240224-5 In 1940, when the Nazi invasion of Norway reaches their village in the far north, twelve-year-old Peter and his friends use their sleds to transport nine million dollars' worth of gold bullion past the German soldiers to the secret harbor where Peter's uncle keeps his ship ready to take the gold for safekeeping in the United States.</p>
<p><b>The Voyage of the Dawn Treader</b> By Lewis, C. S ISBN-13: 978-0-06-447107-7 Lucy and Edmund, accompanied by their peevish cousin Eustace, sail to the land of Narnia where Eustace is temporarily transformed into a green dragon because of his selfish behavior and skepticism.</p>
<p><b>Harriet the Spy</b> By Fitzhugh, Louise ISBN-13: 978-0-440-41679-1 Eleven-year-old Harriet keeps notes on her classmates and neighbors in a secret notebook, but when some of the students read the notebook, they seek revenge.</p>
<p><b>The Horse and His Boy</b> By Lewis, C. S ISBN-13: 978-0-06-440940-7 A boy and a talking horse share an adventurous and dangerous journey to Narnia to warn of invading barbarians.</p>
<p><b>A Long Way from Chicago: A Novel in Stories</b> By Peck, Richard ISBN-13: 978-0-14-240110-1 A boy recounts his annual summer trips to rural Illinois with his sister during the Great Depression to visit their larger-than-life grandmother.</p>



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<p><b>Out of the Dust</b></p> <p>By Hesse, Karen ISBN-13: 978-0-590-37125-4</p> <p>In a series of poems, fifteen-year-old Billie Jo relates the hardships of living on her family's wheat farm in Oklahoma during the dust bowl years of the Depression.</p>
<p><b>The Silver Chair</b></p> <p>By Lewis, C. S ISBN-13: 978-0-06-440945-2</p> <p>Eustace and Jill follow Aslan's clues to find the captive Prince Rilian and help him escape from the Emerald Witch's underground kingdom.</p>
<p><b>The Story of George Washington Carver</b></p> <p>By Moore, Eva ISBN-13: 978-0-590-42660-2</p> <p>Briefly retells the life of the famous scientist, George Washington Carver.</p>
<p><b>Where the Red Fern Grows: The Story of Two Dogs and a Boy</b></p> <p>By Rawls, Wilson ISBN-13: 978-0-553-27429-5</p> <p>The adventures of a ten-year-old boy and the two dogs he bought with money he had earned.</p>