

INCOMING SECOND GRADE SUMMER READING DIRECTIONS

Daily reading is important to maintain reading fluency. Students should read at least 20 minutes daily. It is also recommended that parents read to their children to build vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension.

Please note that many of these books are available through the St. Louis County Library and can be requested and reserved online. Some of the titles will be in demand; it helps to make those requests early in the summer.

All incoming second grade students should read:

1). FICTION SELECTION:

Nate the Great and The Boring Beach Bag

by Marjorie Sharmat

Download and complete the “2nd Grade Beach Bag Activity”

AND

2). NONFICTION SELECTION:

Choose one *National Geographic Kids* book that fits appropriate reading level and is something of interest to your child.

Draw a picture about the main idea of the book. Add five facts that you learned from the book.

Book Examples:

National Geographic Readers: Weird Sea Creatures by Linda Marsh (level2)

National Geographic Readers: Volcanoes by Anne Schreiber (level 2)

AND

3.) Read one more book from our Suggested Reading List. You will be able to share your ideas about this book with your class.

Second Grade Suggested Reading List

This list of books is a guide to titles and authors suitable for most second grade students to read independently.

Cannon: Crickwing c2000 insects, fiction

Crickwing the cockroach saves the day for the leaf-cutter ants when their forest enemies attack them.

CLASSIC FAIRY TALES, INCLUDING

Little Red Riding Hood

Henny Penny

Jack and the Beanstalk

Cinderella

Beauty and the Beast

Snow White

Sleeping Beauty

Rumpelstiltskin

Rapunzel

Three Little Pigs

Crews: Below c2006 fiction

When Jack drops his action figure into a mysterious hole, he has to devise a rescue.

Ernst: Sylvia Jean, Drama Queen c2005 fantasy animals, humor

Although Sylvia Jean owns plenty of costumes, she struggles to come up with a costume for the big party.

Hoberman: You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Stories to Read Together c2001 rhyming stories

This collection of short, rhythmic stories and cheerful art is designed to be read out loud by both child and adult.

James: Dear Mr. Blueberry c1991 letter writing

A teacher and his young student correspond with each other concerning an imaginary whale in the little girl's pond.

Lobel: Frog and Toad stories classics

Each of the frog and toad stories include several short tales about two very good friends.

Mayer: Little Critter stories fantasy, animals

Little Critter is a small creature who is amazingly like a young human boy. His adventures take place with different members of his family who expose him to daily life experiences.

McKissack: Flossie and the Fox c1986 folklore, ethnic diversity

In this African American folk tale, a fox who is known for stealing eggs encounters a young girl who continues to deny that he is a fox without a lot of proof.

McKissack: The Honest-to-Goodness Truth c2000 character, ethnic diversity

A young girl promises not to ever lie but then discovers that there are times that one actually should not tell the entire truth.

McNaughton: Once Upon an Ordinary School Day c2004 school story

Mr. Gee, the new teacher, changes "ordinary" when he challenges all the children to use their imaginations.

Numeroff: If You Give a Mouse a Cookie and sequels c1985 cumulative tales

When a mouse requests a cookie, a cycle of events occurs that brings the reader full circle.

Pallotta: Dory/story c2000 sea story, fiction

Danny's ocean adventures are completely enchanting, even if they take place in the bathtub.

Parish: Amelia Bedelia stories classics, fiction

Amelia Bedelia, who is a housekeeper, is very literal minded when others give her directions; the results are hilarious.

Pearson: Ordinary Mary's Extraordinary Deed c2002 kindness, fiction

When young Mary secretly leaves berries on a lady's porch, the kindness is multiplied many times over by others.

Polacco: Aunt Chip and the Triple Creek Dam Affair c1996 TV, reading, fiction

Since the invasion of television, no one can remember how to read.

Rylant: Henry and Mudge stories family, dogs,, humor

A young boy named Henry and his dog Mudge share many adventures with Henry's parents and other important people in his life.

Schachner: Skippyjon Jones c2003 humor

This Siamese kitten spends his "time-out" imagining himself as "El-Skippito" who comes to the rescue of some Chihuahuas.

Stevens: And the Dish Ran Away With the Spoon c2001 nursery rhymes

From the Mother Goose nursery rhyme, Dish and Spoon run away. Concerned about the fate of the rhyme, Cat, Cow, and Dog set out to find them.

Waber: The House On East 88th Street c1962 crocodiles,, classic

When Lyle the Crocodile appears in the bathtub of the Primm family, the family is very upset; but Lyle soon wins their hearts.

Woodson: The Other Side c2001 friendship, ethnic diversity

Students should practice reading at their level daily during the summer to avoid losing skills. The Leveled Reading books and Beginning Chapter books are helpful in accomplishing the goal.

EASY READER BOOKS:

Young Cam Jansen by Adler

Biscuit by Capucilli

Frog and Toad series by Lobel

Amber Brown by Danziger

Amelia Bedelia by Parish

Marvin's Best series by Paterson

Nate The Great series by Sharmat

Commander Toad series by Yolen

Nonfiction Leveled Readers-Any nonfiction that is of interest to the student

BEGINNING CHAPTER BOOKS:

Secrets of Droon Series by Abbott

Frannie K. Stein series by Benton

The Adventurs of the Bailey School Kids series by Dadey

Mercy Watson series by DiCamillo

My Weird School Series by Dan Gutman

Secret Agent Jack Stalwart series by Hunt

Go Girl! series by Kalkipsakis and other authors

Horrible Harry series by Kline

Jigsaw Jones Mystery series by Preller

Magic Tree House series by Osborne

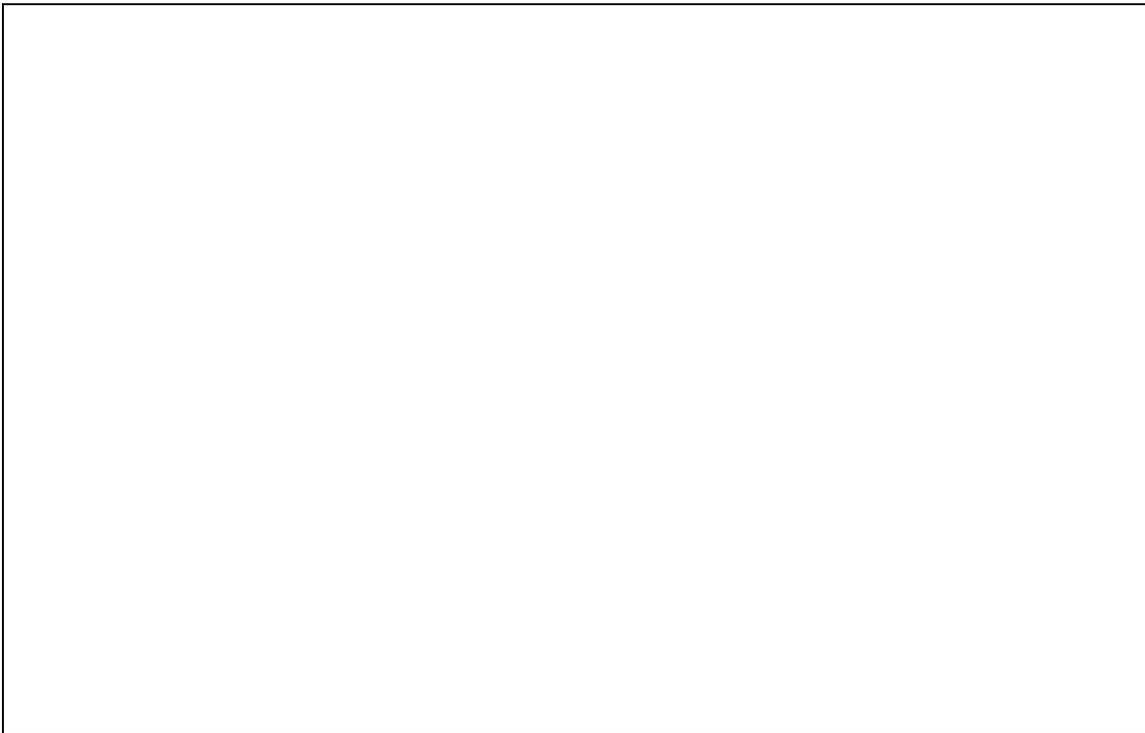
A-Z Mysteries series by Roy, The Capital Mysteries and The Calendar Mysteries

Geronimo Stilton series by Stilton

Name: _____

Nate the Great and the Boring Beach Bag

Draw a picture of your beach bag.



Name at least six things you would put in your beach bag.

1. _____ 6. _____

2. _____ 7. _____

3. _____ 8. _____

9. _____ 10. _____