

Rising 5th Grade Summer Reading

Students entering the 5th grade will read three books over the course of the summer—one book is assigned (choice of the two titles below) and two will be choice books (see the list linked at the bottom of this document).

Students should select books they have not already read and are welcome to listen to an audible version of the book; if choosing to listen to the novel, we encourage students to read along as they listen. All summer reading assignments are **due by Friday, August 19, 2022.**

All 5th-grade students will read either:

- *The Unteachables* by Gordon Korman
[Link to purchase on Amazon](#)
- OR
- *Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Mullaly Hunt.
[Link to purchase on Amazon](#)

Part 1

Assignment for the required book: The Unteachables by Gordon Korman OR Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt.

Directions: Answer the following questions in complete sentences. Please number each answer. You may type the answers or write them neatly on paper.

1. Give the title and author of the book and the date you finished reading.
2. When and where does this book take place? (Setting)
3. List the main characters. Write one descriptive sentence for each character.
4. What are some of the hardships or challenges the main character faces? Write a 5-7 sentence paragraph that describes these and include two specific events from the story.
5. Write a brief paragraph showing how this story reminds you of something else you have read or experienced. (something from another book, a movie, tv-show, real life)
6. Give the book a rating (4 is the highest and 1 is the lowest) and tell in 3 sentences why you rated it this way.

Part 2:

Assignment for 2 choice books. You may choose 2 books from the 5th Grade Summer Reading list OR you may read the other required book AND choose one from the 5th Grade Summer Reading List.

Directions: For each of the books, you should write a paragraph that is at least 8-10 sentences long. You may always write more! Write it neatly on paper or you may type it.

Include the following in your paragraph:

- *Title and Author*
- *Setting (Time and place)*
- *Characters*
- *A brief plot summary —what events happened in the book.*
- *Your opinion of the book.*

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