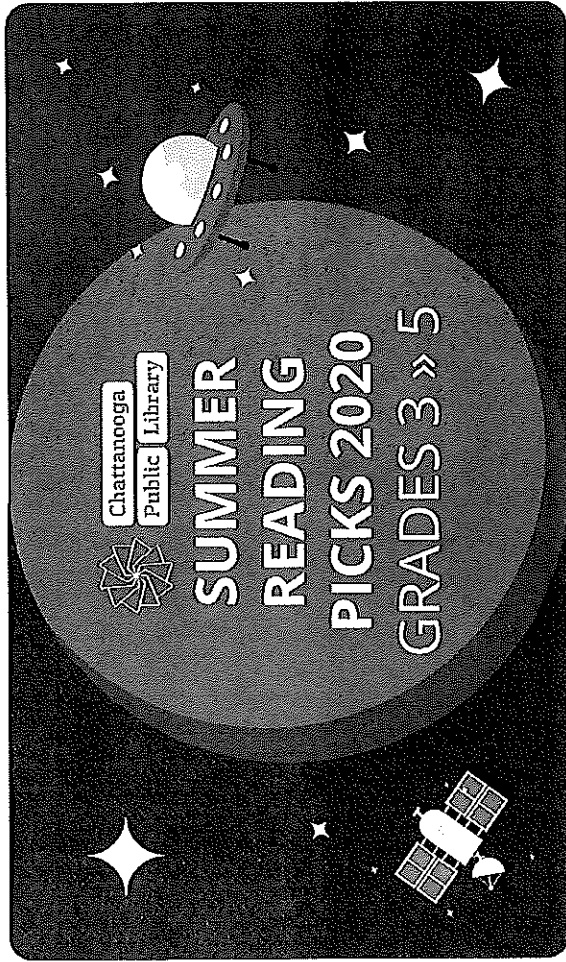


Summer Reading Activities

Rising Third Grade

Please choose one of the following activities to complete over the summer. It will be due August 17 and will count for a reading grade. (F) indicates that the activity is more appropriate for a fiction story and (NF) represents nonfiction.

- (F) **Book Report in a Bag:** Write the title, author, and your name on the front of a brown paper grocery bag. Draw and color an illustration to go along with your book. Fill up the front of the bag. Put 4 items in the bag that can help you retell the story. Item 1 should tell about a character. Item 2 should tell about a setting. Item 3 should tell about a problem or event in the story. Item 4 should tell the solution or ending to the story. Pictures may be drawn for 2 of these items but not all 4. The back of the bag, describe how each item relates to your story. (Ex. The first item in my bag is a _____. It represents the character because _____.) On one of the smaller sides of the bag, draw a picture of your favorite part of the story. On the other small side, write about why that part was your favorite. Write in complete sentences and be sure to use correct capitalization and punctuation.
- (F) or (NF) **Book Collage:** Create a collage using pictures that represent important parts of your book. Use a large piece of poster board for your collage. Make sure the title and author of your book are displayed prominently on your collage. Include at least 15 pictures. You can use pictures that you cut from magazines, print out from the internet, or draw yourself. On a separate piece of paper, write a descriptive title for each picture that you included and a sentence or two about why it was important to the book. For example, if you read one of the Harry Potter books, you could include a picture of a lightning bolt and write about why Harry has that mark on his forehead. As you read your book, keep a list of important characters, events, and objects to use in your collage. Remember that in a collage, pictures overlap a bit on the edges. Be sure to glue the edges and corners down carefully to make your collage look neat. Attach your paper with the descriptions to the bottom of the poster. Write in complete sentences and be sure to use correct capitalization and punctuation.
- (F) or (NF) **Timeline:** Create a timeline for your story. For fiction, you may create a timeline of events that describe the plot/events of the story from beginning to end or show how a character/characters changes (physically, mentally, emotionally) throughout the book. If your book is nonfiction, your timeline can be organized to show events/dates over time, how a setting changed throughout the book, a problem and the steps that were taken to solve that particular problem, the steps to follow to create a certain item, etc. The timeline can be organized horizontally or vertically and should include pictures and a description of what is happening in each one. Write in complete sentences and be sure to use correct capitalization and punctuation.



Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Chattanooga Public Library is proud to present its 2020 List of recommended Summer Reading Picks. Chosen by local expert librarians, these titles are great reads and are highly regarded in the book community, receiving many awards, excellent reviews and popular appeal. We hope that the 2020 List will help your family pick the best books for your child, grades K-12. All of the books on the List are available at your local library. Your local librarian can suggest additional titles.

Reading in the summer helps build on the skills obtained during the school year so that learning continues into the next grade year. We need the support and encouragement of families to ensure that all of our children become excellent readers.

Happy Reading!

Corinne Hill
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 Executive Director
 Chattanooga Public Library

CLASSICS

The Mouse and the Motorcycle

by Beverly Cleary
 A mouse makes friends with a boy at an inn and discovers the joys of motorcycling.
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The BFG

by Roald Dahl
 A Big Friendly Giant whisks Sophie away from the orphanage to save the world from mean giants.
 U | J Dah

From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler

by E.L. Konigsburg
 Two children hide in a museum where they stumble upon a mystery.
 S | J Kon

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

by C.S. Lewis
 Four siblings step through the back of a wardrobe into the magical land of Narnia.
 T | J Lew

CLASSICS

The Borrowers

by Mary Norton
 A family of tiny people live hidden in an English house.
 S | J Nor

Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters

by John Steptoe
 Daughters with very different personalities travel to meet the Great King.
 N | E Ste

Charlotte's Web

by E.B. White
 A lonely pig learns about love and friendship from a spider and a young girl.
 R | J Whi

FANTASY & SCI-FI

Zoey and Sassafras:

Dragons and Marshmallows
 by Asia Citro
 Zoey and her cat named Sassafras care for a sick dragon.
 O | J Cit

The Chicken Squad: The First Misadventure

by Doreen Cronin
 Squirrel needs the Squad to solve a mystery. Does it have anything to do with the UFO in their yard?
 N | J Cro

The Storm Keeper's Island

by Catherine Doyle
 Fionn and his sister are swept up in sinister magic on Arranmore island.
 R | J Doy

The Lifters

by Dave Eggers
 Two new friends discover a secret buried beneath their town which leads them on an epic adventure.
 P | J Egg

FANTASY & SCI-FI

Rumple Buttercup

by Matthew Gray Gubler
 An odd-looking monster learns about acceptance and love in his community.
 M | J Bub

Over the Moon

by Natalie Lloyd
 Malie disguises herself as a boy so that she can go on special missions on flying horses.
 O | J Llo

Fablehaven

by Brandon Mull
 Kendra and Seth travel to a land of witches, trolls, fairies and other mystical creatures.
 S | J Mul

Nightbooks

by J.A. White
 Captured by a witch, Alex must tell her stories in order to survive.
 R | J Whi

HISTORICAL FICTION

Finding Langston

by Lesa Cline-Ransome
 In 1946, an African American boy discovers the Chicago Public Library and the poetry of Langston Hughes.
 Q | J Cli

Out of Left Field

by Ellen Klages
 When she is told she can't play in Little League because she is a girl, Katy attempts to overturn the decision.
 O | J Kla

White Bird

by R.J. Palacio
 In occupied France during World War II, a family hides a Jewish girl.
 M | J Graphi Pal

HISTORICAL FICTION

- Planet Earth is Blue**
by Nicole Panteleakos
Placed in a foster home, her new family recognizes an autistic child's talents.
Q | J Pan
- Jasper and the Riddle of Riley's Mine**
by Caroline Rose
During the Klondike Gold Rush, two brothers search for a lost mine.
P | J Ros
- I Survived the Great Molasses Flood, 1919**
by Lauren Tarshis
A metal tank filled with molasses explodes and threatens the lives of the people of North Boston.
R | J Tar
- Front Desk**
by Kelly Yang
Mia helps run the desk at the motel her parents manage while fighting injustices along the way.
M | J Yan

MODERN REALISM

- A Boy Called Bat**
by Elana K. Arnold
Bat cares for a baby skunk and wants to keep him for a pet.
O | J Arn
- Stella Diaz Has Something to Say**
by Angela Dominguez
At school, Stella worries about her accent when making friends.
O | J Dom

MODERN REALISM

- Song for a Whale**
by Lynne Kelly
A deaf girl wants to help a whale who is unable to communicate with other whales.
R | J Kei
- I'm Ok**
by Patti Kim
Ok Lee comes up with an idea to make money to help his mother pay the bills.
S | J Kim
- Jada Jones: Rock Star**
by Kelly Starling Lyons
Jada and her classmates are grouped together for a science project.
N | J Lyo
- The Season of Styx Malone**
by Kekla Magoon
Two brothers befriend a clever, but troubled, teen.
Q | J Mag
- Pay Attention, Carter Jones**
by Gary Schmidt
Carter's whole life changes when an English butler arrives at his front door.
T | J Sch
- Other Words for Home**
by Jasmine Warga
Jude and her mother escape Syria to live with relatives.
U | J War

NONFICTION

- What Miss Mitchell Saw**
by Hayley Barrett
Mania Mitchell discovers a comet and becomes the first American female astronomer.
M | J B Mit
- Bonkers About Beetles**
by Owen Davey
Award-winning science book about beetles.
R | J 595.76 Dav
- Science You Can Eat**
by Stefan Gates
Learn about food and try out new experiments.
R | J 641.3 Gat
- The Lost Book of Adventure**
by Teddy Keen (ed.)
An Unknown Adventurer takes you around the world in this survivalist notebook.
W | J 796.5 Kee
- Beastly Puzzles**
by Rachel Poliquin
Can you solve these brainteasers and puzzles?
Q | J 793.73 Pol
- DK Findout! Universe**
by Giles Sparrow
Fabulous photographs and fascinating details about the universe.
T | J 523.1 Spa
- The Atlas Obscura Explorer's Guide for the World's Most Adventurous Kid**
by Dylan Thuras
Travel to 100 mysterious and weird-but-true places on Earth.
T | J 910.41 Thu

POETRY

- The Undeclared**
by Kwame Alexander
Celebrate African Americans throughout history.
M | J 811.6 Ale
- Up Verses Down: Poems, Paintings, and Serious Nonsense**
by Calef Brown
Silly poems and characters abound in this poetry book.
N | J 811.54 Bro
- Superlative Birds**
by Leslie Bulion
Birds are the subject of this science book in verse.
S | J 598 Bul
- Outside Your Window:**
A First Book of Nature
by Nicola Davies
Facts, poetry and illustrations make for a wonderful book about nature.
K | J 811.6 Dav
- A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood**
by Fred Rogers
The lyrics of Mister Rogers' favorite songs come alive in this illustrated collection.
O | J 811.6 Rog
- The Day the Universe Exploded My Head**
by Allan Wolf
Funny poems and facts about space.
O | J 811.54 Wol