

Summer Reading Ideas from the MTPS Libraries: K-8th Grade

These books are **SUGGESTED** by the Moorestown Township Public School librarians.

MTPS does not have required summer reading lists; these are just some suggestions to get you started. Please feel free to help your student select titles that catch his or her interest.

Here are some tips for parents to help your elementary school reader:

- *Let your student read to you some nights or alternate pages: you read a page, they read a page.*
- *Please remember that even when your children read successfully on their own, they still like to curl up next to you and hear a great story.*
- *Make it a treat to read in bed. Go to bed early some nights and have a reading marathon. Break the 'rules' some nights and read after lights out. Provide a little reading light that can be smuggled under the covers.*
- *Pitch a tent in your living room on rainy days. Have a reading 'camp-in' complete with popcorn.*
- *Let your children see you reading. They will do as you do. Have books all over the house.*
- *Limit summer TV viewing and "screen time" in general.*
- *Have rainy day read-ins.*
- *Help your child create a library in his/her room.*
- *Join the summer reading program at the public library.*
- *Allow your child to subscribe to a magazine of interest.*
- *Read a chapter book together. Finish each evening at a cliff-hanging spot in the book. Read above your child's reading level; listening level is higher than reading level.*
- *Get books on CD to listen to on long car trips.*
- *Read books to plan a vacation or summer excursion.*
- *Don't forget to read non-fiction. Pick books to satisfy your child's interests that include science and social studies connections.*
- *Make sure to mix in some fabulous picture books for your summer reading. You can have wonderful, meaningful conversations about picture books that aren't possible to have with beginning chapter books.*
- *Find online opportunities to read, build skills, and share suggestions for further reading. Options include:*

Startwithbooks.org	Goodreads.com	KQED.org
Readworks.org	Guysread.com	Adayinourshoes.com
Middleweb.com	ReadingRockets.org	Scholastic.com
WeAreTeachers.com	Clifonline.org	Barnes&Noble
Edutopia.org	Education.com	MoorestownPublicLibrary