

St. Catherine of Siena School
Summer Reading Lists: Summer 2010
Course Reading: 2010-2011 School Year

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Concerned Adults:

On the following pages you will find the books for summer reading, divided by grade level. Additionally, the books that students will read in class during the school year (“course reading”) are also included.

This document has several pages. Continue to scroll down until you find the page that corresponds to your student’s grade level for the 2010-2011 school year.

Thank you,

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Entering Fifth Grade

Summer Reading

The following book is mandatory.

Title	Author
A Wrinkle in Time	Madeline L'Engle

Summer Reading

Read one of the following books.

Title	Author
Wolf Brother	Michelle Paver
Maniac Magee	Jerry Spinelli
Bridge to Terebithia	Katherine Patterson
Coraline	Neil Gaiman
Superfudge	Judy Blume

Course Reading

These books are required and will be read in class during the school year.

Title	Author
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler	E.L. Konigsburg
Pictures of Hollis Woods	Patricia Reilly Giff

Entering Fifth Grade Summer Reading Activities

A written test will be administered after the first week of school on the mandatory book, A Wrinkle in Time.

Additionally, choose a book to read from the summer reading list and complete one of the following activities.

1. Compare and contrast two characters in a story using a Venn diagram. Remember to write in complete sentences. Include at least 4 similarities and at least 4 differences.

2. Interview a character. Write at least ten questions that will give the character the opportunity to discuss his/her thoughts and feelings about his/her role in the story. Answer the questions in complete sentences as if you were the character.

3. Make a book jacket. Create a new cover for your book. Include the title, author and an illustration on the front. Write a summary of the book on the back. Make sure the summary answers the questions who, what, where, when, and why.

4. Create a postcard. You will need a large index card. Include the title, author, and a picture that illustrates the book on the front white side. On the back left side, write a brief summary about why you enjoyed the book. On the back right side, address the postcard to someone you think might also enjoy the book. Finally, design a stamp in the top right corner. Remember to use facts from the story to show what you liked about the book. Be colorful and creative.

5. Create a collage/poster showing pictures (clip art, magazine pictures, etc.) that relate to important characters or events in the book. On the back of the poster write a sentence or two about each picture to explain its significance. Be sure to explain why you chose the picture and how it relates to the book.

