



### Parents & Guardians

Our summer reading program is based upon these four goals:

- (1) Maintain learning gains from school year,
- (2) Develop stronger reading skills,
- (3) Expose children to quality literature, and
- (4) Encourage a love of books.

#### Ideas to support your child's summer reading:

- Set aside time each day for reading
- Read together as a family
- Allow your child to choose the book
- Plan regular visits to the library
- Listen to audiobooks in the car
- Participate in the summer programs at the local library

#### How to Rock the Read Aloud

- Read with expression. Try creating different voices for different characters.
- Encourage your child to ask questions about the characters, pictures, and words.
- Talk about the story with your child. Did he or she like it? Why?
- Your child may want you to read the same story over and over again. After several retellings, ask your child to tell *you* the story.
- Model Making Connections: Strong readers aren't passive—their minds are constantly making connections between what they read and the world around them. As you read, pause to connect the book to other books you have read together, to your memories, or to places or events you both know.

## Entering Fifth Grade



This summer, spend some time exploring the world around you through the books we have compiled! In this brochure you will discover great new books by award-winning authors.

Did you know that you can use the library's lobby/curbside pick-up to borrow books? Or, that many books are available in eAudio or eBook format, too. Not sure how this works? Just ask your librarian.

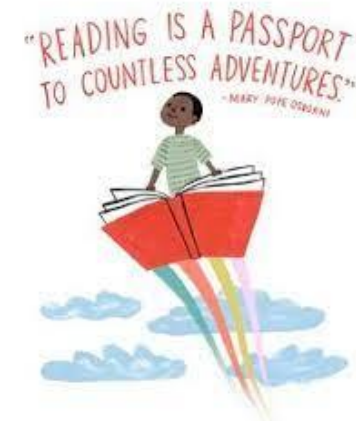
Our town librarians are book experts. They have *thousands* of amazing books that they want to share with you! Whatever you're interested in, there's a book for you. Adventure awaits!

#### Ayer Public Library

(978-772-8250)  
26 E. Main Street, Ayer, MA  
[www.ayerlibrary.org](http://www.ayerlibrary.org)

#### Hazen Memorial Library (978-425-2620)

3 Keady Way, Shirley, MA  
[www.shirleylibrary.org](http://www.shirleylibrary.org)



## Grade 5 Suggested Titles

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Type</b>
A First Time for Everything	Dan Santant	Fiction
Akim Aliu: Dreamer Original Graphic Memoir	Akim Aliu	NonFiction
All Charged Up: Big Ideas that Changed the World	Dan Brown	NonFiction
Bad Sister	Charise Mericle Harper	Fiction
Buzzing a Graphic Novel	Samuel Sattin	Fiction
Chinese Menu: The History Myths, and Legends Behind Your Favorite Foods	Grace Lin	NonFiction
Clean Getaway	Nic Stone	Fiction
Freewater	Amina Luqman-Dawson	Fiction
Front Desk	Kelly Yang	Fiction
How Old is a Whale? Animal Life Spans from the Mayfly to the Immortal Jellyfish	Lily Murray	NonFiction
Lasagna Means I Love You	Kate O'Shaughnessy	Fiction
Mexikid: Graphic Novel	Pedro Martin	Fiction
New Kid	Jerry Craft	Fiction
No Boundaries: 25 Women Explorers and Scientists Share Adventures, Inspiration and Advice	Gabby Salazar	NonFiction
Red: The True Story of Red Riding Hood	Liesl Shurtliff	Fiction
Refugee	Alan Gratz	Fiction
Shipwrecked!: Diving for Hidden Time Capsules on the Ocean Floor	Martin Sandler	Fiction
Skandar and the Unicorn Thief	A.F. Steadman	Fiction
Something Like Home	Andrea Beatrice Arango	Fiction
Squished: A Graphic Novel	Megan Wagner	Fiction
Stargirl	Jerry Spinelli	Fiction
Survival Scout (Graphic Series)	Maxwell Eaton	Fiction
The Beatryce Prophecy	Kate DiCamillo	Fiction
The Fire of Stars: The Life and Brilliance of the Woman Who Discovered What Stars are Made From	Kirsten Larson	NonFiction
The First Rule of Punk	Celia C. Perez	Fiction
The Girl Who Drank the Moon	Kelly Barnhill	Fiction
The Misfits #1: a Royal Conundrum	Lisa Yee	Fiction
The Moth Keeper a Graphic Novel	K. O'Neill	Fiction
The Playbook	Kwame Alexander	Fiction
The School for Invisible Boys	Shaun David	Fiction
The Screaming Hairy Armadillo and 76 Other Animals with Weird Wild Names	Lily Murray	NonFiction
The Who Was/What Was/When Was Series	various authors	NonFiction
Unseen Jungle: The Microbes that Secretly Control Our World	Eleanor Spicer Rice	NonFiction
When Stars are Scattered	Victoria Jamieson	Fiction
When You Trap a Tiger	Tae Keller	Fiction
When you Trap a Tiger	Tae Keller	Fiction
Wishtree	Katherine Applegate	Fiction