

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS SUMMER READING PROGRAM

### SUGGESTED READING LIST FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 5

***All the Way Home*** - Giff, Patricia Reilly. Dell Yearling, c2001.

In 1941, circumstances bring together Brick, a boy from New York's apple country, and Mariel, a young girl made shy by her bout with polio, and the two make a journey from Brooklyn back to help Brick's elderly neighbors save their apple crop and to help Mariel learn about her past.

***Because of Winn-Dixie*** - DiCamillo, Kate. Candlewick Press, c2000.

Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida, and all the good things that happen to her because of her big ugly dog Winn-Dixie.

***Bone. Volume One, Out From Boneville*** - Smith, Jeff. Cartoon Books, c1996.

Fone Bone, Phoney Bone, and Smiley Bone are run out of their home, Boneville, and become separated in the wilds, but better fortune begins when Fone meets a young girl named Thorn.

***The Boy Who Saved Baseball*** - Ritter, John H. Philomel Books, c2003.

The fate of a small California town rests on the outcome of one baseball game, and Tom Gallagher hopes to lead his team to victory with the secrets of the now disgraced player, Dante Del Gato.

***Crispin : the Cross of Lead*** – Avi. - Hyperion Books for Children, c2002.

Falsely accused of theft and murder, an orphaned peasant boy in fourteenth-century England flees his village and meets a larger-than-life juggler who holds a dangerous secret.

***The Janitor's Boy*** - Clements, Andrew.- Aladdin Paperbacks, c2000.

Fifth grader Jack finds himself the target of ridicule at school when it becomes known that his father is one of the janitors, and he turns his anger onto his father.

***Julie of the Wolves*** - George, Jean Craighead. HarperTrophy, c1972.

Escaping from an unwanted marriage, a thirteen-year-old Eskimo girl gets lost on the Alaskan tundra and is befriended by a wolf pack.

***Knights of the Kitchen Table*** – Scieszka. Jon. Viking, 1991.

One minute they're looking at pictures of knights in the book, a birthday gift from Joe's magician uncle, the next minute they're battling fire-breathing dragons. Will Joe, Fred, and Sam escape death?

***Poppy & Ella : 3 Stories About 2 Best Friends*** - Kaminsky, Jef. Hyperion Books for Children, c2000. Two best friends, Poppy and Ella, enjoy lunch, a day at the beach, and a power outage together.

***So You Want to be an Inventor?*** - St. George, Judith. Philomel Books, c2002.

Presents some of the characteristics of inventors by describing the inventions of people such as Alexander Graham Bell, Thomas Edison, and Eli Whitney.

***The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales*** - Scieszka, Jon. Viking, 1992.

Madcap revisions of familiar fairy tales.

***The Watsons go to Birmingham-1963 :A Novel*** - Curtis, Christopher Paul. Bantam Doubleday Dell Books for Young Readers, c1995.

The ordinary interactions and everyday routines of the Watsons, an African-American family living in Flint, Michigan, are drastically changed after they go to visit Grandma in Alabama in the summer of 1963.