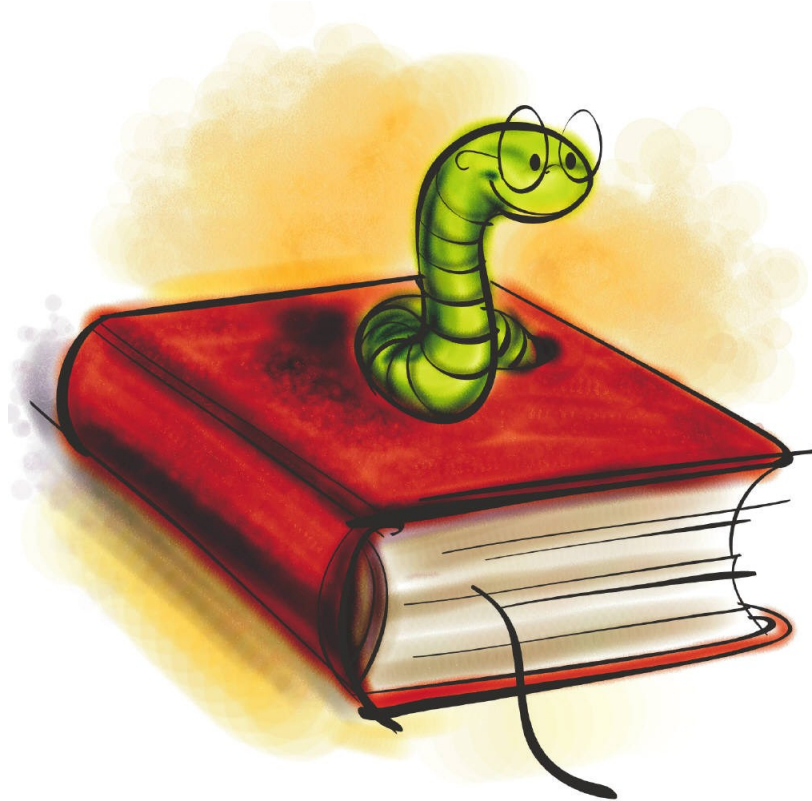


# SRMS

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
**Summer Reading  
Program**



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## Summer Reading Program Basics

1. You must read at least three books this summer. **Two** must be (a) chosen from the attached list, (b) may be written by an author on the attached list (c) may be from the Garden State Teen Book Awards List found at any Ocean County Library branch; the **third** may be (a) a book of your choice or (b) may also be from the attached list. Any selections which are not chosen from this list must be chosen from books which are considered to have literary value.
2. You must obtain parental/guardian permission to read your chosen books; have your parent/guardian sign the book form.
3. Check out the books in your local library or purchase them at any bookstore.
4. To choose books that you will enjoy reading, first read the back cover and then the first chapter of a book to see if you like the author's style of writing and/or the story itself.
5. Choose books that you did not read for an assignment or class in elementary school.
6. Plan to read the entire book! If you don't, your answers will show it.
7. Complete the assignment which follows for each book you choose. You will need to complete three (3) assignments.
8. Turn in the completed packets to your Language Arts teacher no later than Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009. You will not have additional time once school begins - this is a Summer Reading assignment.
9. Summer reading assignments will be part of your grade for the 1<sup>st</sup> Marking Period.



Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Book Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author \_\_\_\_\_

Parental/Guardian Reading Permission \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature Required)

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Tell how it made you think or feel


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\_\_\_\_\_

One word description

About the Character

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Two words

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Three Words

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Four Words

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<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>
Alcott, Louisa Mae	Little Women
Almond, D.	Kit's Wilderness
Almond, D.	Skellig
Alvarez, Julia	How Tia Lola Came to Stay
Anderson, Laurie Halse	Chains
Anderson, Laurie Halse	Fever
Anderson, Laurie Halse	Forge
Anderson, Laurie Halse	Prom
Angelou, Maya	Wouldn't Take Nothing for My Journey
Armstrong, Jennifer	Steal Away
Arrington, Frances	Prairie Whispers
Avi	Crispin: The Cross of Lead
Avi	Don't You Know There's A War On?
Avi	Man Who Was Poe
Avi	Nothing but the Truth
Avi	The Secret School
Avi	True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle
Barker, Clive	Abarat
Bauer, Joan	Stand Tall
Bell, Hillari	A Matter of Profit
Billingsley, F.	The Folk Keeper
Blacker, Terrance	The Angel Factor
Bowler, Tim	Storm Catchers
Brashares, Ann	Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants
Bruchac, J.	Skeleton Man
Buer, Joan	Hope Was Here
Bunting, Eve	Blackwater
Bunting, Eve	Sharing Susan
Cabot, Meg	Princess in the Spotlight
Calhoun, Dia	Aria of the Sea
Card, Scott Orson	Ender's Game
Chabon, Michael	Summerland
Choi, Sook Nyul	Year of Impossible Goodbyes
Choldenko, Gennifer	Al Capone Does My Shirts
Choldenko, Gennifer	Al Capone Shines My Shoes
Christopher, John	The City of Gold and Lead
Christopher, John	The Pool of Fire
Christopher, John	The White Mountains
Christopher, Matt	Series (Sports)
Cisneros, Sandra	House on Mango Street
Clements, Andrew	The School Story
Clements, Andrew	Things Not Seen
Colfer, Eoin	Artemis Fowl Series
Cooney, Caroline	Goddess of Yesterday
Cooney, Caroline	Face on the Milk Carton
Cooney, Caroline	The Voice on the Radio
Cooney, Caroline	Whatever Happened to Janie
Cormier, Robert	Rag and Bone Shop
Coulombis, Audrey	Getting Near To Baby
Coulombis, Audrey	Say Yes
Creech, Sharon	Chasing Redbird
Creech, Sharon	Love That Dog
Creech, Sharon	The Wanderer
Creech, Sharon	Walk Two Moons

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>
Crichton, Michael	Jurassic Park
Crichton, Michael	Lost World
Crowe, Chris	Mississippi Trial, 1955
Curtis, Christopher Paul	The Watsons Go to Birmingham
Curtis, Christopher Paul	Bud, Not Buddy
Curtis, Christopher Paul	Elijah of Buxton
Cushman, Karen	Catherine Called Birdy
Cushman, Karen	Matilda Bone
Cushman, Karen	Midwife's Apprentice
Danzinger, Paula	Remember Me to Harold Square
Danzinger, Paula	This Place Has No Atmosphere
DiCamillo, Kate	Because of Winn-Dixie
DiCamillo, Kate	The Tiger Rising
DiTerlizzi, Tony	Spiderwick Chronicles
DuPrau, Jeanne	The People of Sparks
DuPrau, Jeanne	The City of Embers
Ellis, Deborah	Parvana's Journey
Farmer, Nancy	A Girl Named Disaster
Farmer, Nancy	The Ear, The Eye, and The Arm
Farmer, Nancy	The House of Scorpion
Farmer, Nancy	The Land of the Silver Apples
Filipovic, Zlata	Zlata's Diary
Fine, Anne	The Tulip Touch
Fleischman, Sid	Seedfolk
Fleischman, Sid	The Whipping Boy
Forbes, Esther	Johnny Tremain
Fox, Paula	Slave Dancer
Funke, Cornelia	The Thief Lord
Gaarder, Jostein	A Solitaire Mystery
Gaarder, Jostein	The Christmas Mystery
Gantos, Jack	Joey Pigza Swallowed The Key
George, Jean	On the Far Side of the Mountain
Giff, P.	Nory Ryan's Song
Greene, Bettee	Summer of My German Soldier
Haddix, Margaret P.	Among The Barons
Haddix, Margaret P.	Among The Betrayed
Haddix, Margaret P.	Among The Hidden
Haddix, Margaret P.	Among The Imposters
Haddix, Margaret P.	Running Out Of Time
Halam, Ann	Dr. Franklin's Island
Hamilton, Virginia	Paul Robeson
Hamilton, Virginia	The House of Dies Drear
Hesse, Anne	Out of the Dust
Hesse, K.	Phoenix Rising
Hesse, Karen	Just Juice
Hesse, Karen	Stowaway
Hesse, Karen	The Music of the Dolphins
Hesse, Karen	Witness
Hinton, S.E.	That Was Then, This Is Now
Hobbs, Will	Wild Man Island
Holm, Jennifer	Our Only May Amelia
Horowitz, Anthony	Alex Rider Series
Horvath, Polly	Everything on A Waffle
Horvath, Polly	The Trolls
Hunt, Irene	Across Five Aprils
Hunt, Irene	The Lottery Rose
Ibbotson, E.	Journey to the River Sea
Jacques, Brian	Red Wall
Jarvis, Robin	Dark Portal
Johnston, T.	Any Small Goodness
Kinney, Jeff	Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Greg Heffley's Journal
Kinney, Jeff	Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>
Klages, Ellen	The Green Glass Sea
Klages, Ellen	White Sands, Red Menace
Kodohata, Cynthia	Kira-Kira
Konigsburg, E.L.	The View from Saturday
Korman, Gordon	Everest Series
Korman, Gordon	Framed
Korman, Gordon	Swindle
Korman, Gordon	Zoobreak
Krakauer, Jon	Into Thin Air
L'Engle, Madeleine	A Ring of Endless Light
L'Engle, Madeleine	An Acceptable Time
L'Engle, Madeleine	Many Waters
L'Engle, Madeleine	The Troubled Star
L'Engle, Madeleine	Wrinkle in Time
Lauber, Patricia	Volcano
Lawrence, Iain	The Wreckers
LeGuin, Ursula	Powers
Levine, Gail Carson	Wish
Lewis, C.S.	The Chronicles of Narnia
Lisle, Taylor Janet	The Art of Keeping Cool
London, Jack	Call of the Wild
Long, John	The Big Drop
Lowry, Lois	Gathering Blue
Lowry, Lois	The Giver
Lubar, David	Hidden Talents
Lupica, Mike	Heat
Lupica, Mike	Million-Dollar Throw
Lupica, Mike	Travel Team
Lyons, Mary	Letters from a Slave Girl
Maguire, Gregory	The Good Liar
Mayer, Stephanie	Twilight
Mazer, Harry	A Boy at War
McCaffrey, Meghan	Sloppy Firsts
Meyer, Stephenie	Twilight
Meyer, Stephenie	Eclipse
Meyer, Stephenie	New Moon
Michaelson, Ben	Touching Spirit Bear
Miller, Sarah Elizabeth	Miss Spitfire: Reaching Helen Keller
Morgan, Melissa	Camp Confidential Series
Murphy, Jim	Blizzard
Myers, Walter Dean	Somewhere in the Darkness
Myers, Walter Dean	Glory Field
Myers, Walter Dean	Fallen Angels
Myers, Walter Dean	Game
Naidoo, Beverley	Journey to Jo'burg
Naidoo, Beverley	No Turning Back
Naidoo, Beverley	The Other Side of Truth
Napoli, Donna Jo	Daughter of Venice
Napoli, Donna Jo	Sirena
Napoli, Donna Jo	Stones In Water
Naylor, Phyllis	Alice In Between
Nishiyama, Yuriko	Rebound
Nishiyama, Yuriko	Harlem Beat
Nishiyama, Yuriko	Dragon Voice
The Orca Sounding Series (by different authors), 3-5 <sup>th</sup> grade reading level)	Eragon
Paoline, Christopher	A Single Shard
Park, Linda Sue	When My Name Was Keoko
Park, Linda Sue	Jip
Paterson, Katherine	Lyddie
Paterson, Katherine	Preacher's Boy
Paterson, Katherine	The Same Stuff as Stars

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>
Paulsen, Gary	Brian's Return
Paulsen, Gary	Brian's Winter
Paulsen, Gary	Guts
Paulsen, Gary	Hatchet
Paulsen, Gary	Island
Paulsen, Gary	My Life in Dog Years
Paulsen, Gary	Nightjohn
Paulsen, Gary	The Transall Saga
Paulsen, Gary	Winterdance
Peck, Richard	A Year Down Yonder
Peck, Richard	Fair Weather
Philbrick, Rodman	Last Book in the Universe
Pullman, Philip	The Golden Compass
Pullman, Phillip	The Dark Materials Trilogy
Pullman, Philip	The Subtle Knife
Raskin, Ellen	The Westing Game
Reiss, Johanna	The Journey Back
Reiss, Johanna	The Upstairs Room
Reiss, Kathryn	PaperQuake
Richter, Conrad	Light in the Forest
Rodman, Philbrick	Max the Mighty
Rowling, J.K.	Harry Potter Books
Rylant, Cynthia	Missing May
Sachar, Louis	Holes
Salisbury, Graham	Island Boyz
Schlitz, Laura Amy	Good Masters, Sweet Ladies: Voices from a Medieval Village
Schlitz, Laura Amy	A Drowned Maiden's Hair
Schlitz, Laura Amy	The Hero Schliemann
Schreiber, Ellen	Vampire Kisses
Schreiber, Ellen	Teenage Mermaid
Schreiber, Ellen	Comedy Girl
Sedgwick, Marcus	The Dark Horse
Shange, Ntozake	Betsey Brown
Smith Kimmel, Robert	The War with Grandpa
Smith, Roland	Peak
Snicket, Lemony	The Penultimate Peril
Snicket, Lemony	the Bad Beginning
Snicket, Lemony	The Austere Academy
Snyder, Zilpha K.	The Egypt Game
Soto, Gary	Local News
Spinelli, Jerry	Crash
Spinelli, Jerry	Loser
Spinelli, Jerry	Maniac Magee
Spinelli, Jerry	White Fang
Spinelli, Jerry	Wringer
Staples, Suzanne Fisher	Haveli
Staples, Suzanne Fisher	Shabanu
Staples, Suzanne Fisher	Shiva's Fire
Stevenson, Robert Louis	Kidnapped
Stevenson, Robert Louis	Treasure Island
Stewart, Paul	The Edge Chronicles
Taylor, Mildred D.	Roll Of Thunder, Hear My Cry
Taylor, Mildred D.	Let the Circle Be Unbroken
Taylor, Mildred D.	The Land
Taylor, Mildred D.	The Road to Memphis
Tolan, Stephanie S.	Surviving The Applewhites, etc.
Tolkein, J.R.R.	The Hobbit
Uchida, Yoshiko	A Jar of Dreams
Van Draanen, Wendelin	Flipped

**Author****Title**

Voight, Cynthia	Izzy Willy Nilly
Voight, Cynthia	The Runner
Voight, Cynthia	Dacey's Song
Wells, Rosemary	Red Moon at Sharpsberg: A Novel
Whelan, G.	Homeless Bird
White, R.	Belle Prater's Boy
Winterfeld, Henry	Detectives in Togas
Wolff, Virginia Euwer	Make Lemonade
Wolff, Virginia Euwer	True Believer
Yep, Laurence	Dragon's Gate
Yep, Laurence	Dragonwings
Yep, Laurence	The Case of the Goblin Pearls
Yolen, Jane	Armageddon Summer
Yolen, Jane	Devil's Arithmetic
Young, B. & J.L.	Taste Berries for Teens
Zimmer, Tracie Vaughn	Reaching for the Sun
Zindel, Paul	Gadget