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Summer Reading Assignment for Grades 3-8

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Dear Parents and Guardians of St. Theresa School Students (Grades 3-8),

We have updated our summer reading assignment to reflect our literature-based reading program for grades 3-8.

Each grade will have one book to read and an activity to complete prior to the opening of school in August. The assigned book and activity is the first graded assignment in Reading (grades 6-8 Reading/Literature). When your child returns to school, he/she will return with the book and the completed assignment. Reading instruction will begin with each grade's assigned book. Before the last week of school, the teachers will distribute the books along with the assignment. There is no need for you to purchase the book(s).

Shortly before distributing the summer reading books, we will send out an Option C giving you the date the books will be going home. Please be reminded that your child is responsible for the return of his/her assigned book. The book is considered a text book and property of St. Theresa School. In addition, we are including a reading list for your child to choose two other books to read with no formal assignments.

We encourage you to become involved in this assignment by listening to your child read and discussing the events in the story. Ask your child to draw a picture about a chapter(s) he/she has read. Doing this will help in his/her comprehension.

Thank you for your continued support. Have an enjoyable and restful summer!

Mrs. Tice
Principal

Summer Reading Activity for Grade 5

In our book, *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*, the author's characters come alive for us in two ways: the character can be described directly by the author or indirectly through the actions, thoughts, and speech of the characters. As you read our book think about the two questions below. When you are finished reading the entire book, answer the questions.

1. Kyle and his classmates decide to pool their individual talents to win the contest. What special skills do Akimi, Haley, Kyle, Miguel, and Sierra possess that give them the potential to win?

2. How does Kyle change over the course of the novel?

Board Game Project

Remember all those great games you have played? Well, now you can make your own game, your own rules, your own design, your own questions! The only thing is, you must relate it to the book titles found in *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*. First, before you start thinking about your "new" design, think about board games that you like to play, or ones that you have played before, such as chess, Monopoly, and Clue.

Now, it's your turn to create a board game based on *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*. REMEMBER board games should be fun, interactive, structured. Use your creative minds to think of ways to relate the *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* book titles to creating a board game.

Requirements:

Your board game made must have the following items included in the project:

- This must be an actual playing board, including game pieces and any necessary devices to complete your designed game.
- Game theme, questions, statements, layout, design must be related to the book titles found in *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*.
- Rules and Directions: The rules must be written out, understandable, and applicable to the game you created.
- Make your game neat and organized.
- The game should be creative, colorful and pretty!
- Your board game *must be playable*.

Grading:

Your games will be graded on the following criteria

- Related to *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*, using key terms, themes and book titles from the story, creativity, uniqueness of the game
- Neatness, and organization of the game
- Directions of the game are either **typed up or written clearly** and explained thoroughly
- Rules of the game are described very well, so people know what they can and cannot do!
- Grammar, spelling, and punctuation of directions, rules, and of game board—must be understandable!
- Playability—If you make it, are you going to want to play it? Can you play the game as easily as you play other board games?

What you need to remember as you are thinking about this is to have fun with it and how best you can incorporate the book titles from *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* into your game while making the game fun and educational.

Summer Reading List Grade 5

Title	Author	Description	Fiction/Non-Fiction	Level
Rapunzel's Revenge	Shannon & Dale Hale	This story is set in the wild west. Rapunzel searches for her mother with her sidekick, Jack.	Fiction	Easy
The One and Only Ivan	Katherine Applegate	Ivan is kept in a cage in a run-down mall for 27 years without seeing another gorilla. A stray dog, Bob, is his only friend.	Fiction	Easy
The Sister's Club	Megan McDonald	Twelve-year-old Alex, aspiring actress and bon drama queen; eight-year-old Joey, homework lover and pioneer wannabe; and smack in the middle, ten-year-old Stevie, the glue that hold them together are the Sister's Club.	Fiction	Easy
A Wrinkle in Time	Madeline L'Engle	Meg and her brother, Charles Wallace, and friend, Calvin, set off to find her scientist father who disappeared.	Fiction	Average
Everyday Angel	Victoria Schwab	An angel named Aria is earning her wings by helping girls who are struggling in some way. Aria helps Gabby at her new school to discover who she is.	Fiction	Average
The Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler	E. L. Konigsburg	Two siblings run away from home and live at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in NYC where they discover a mystery.	Fiction	Average
Awkward	Svetlana Chmakova	Peppi struggles with confidence and speaking up.	Fiction	Average
The War that Saved My Life	Kimberly Brubaker Bradley	Ada and her brother escape their mother's abuse when the London children are evacuated during WWII and go to live with a grieving woman in a small country town.	Historical Fiction	Average
Lost in the Pacific, 1942: Not a Drop to Drink	Tod Olson	A riveting retelling of a soldiers' plane crash, then weeks of thirst and starvation in the perilous south seas on precarious life boats.	Non-Fiction	Above Average
Midnight Without a Moon	Linda Williams Jackson	Rose Lee Carter is raised by her grandma and father, works in the cotton fields, and is best friends with a preacher's son. She dreams of leaving Mississippi for the North.	Fiction	Above Average
Escape from Mr. Lemonchello's Library	Chris Grabenstein	Kyle and several of his classmates win a sleep over at the town's newly created library by game-creator Mr. Lemonchello.	Fiction	Above Average
Sitting Bull	Roop	Story of Sitting Bull	Non-Fiction	Average
Storms	S. Simon	Presents information on storms – hurricanes, thunderstorms, etc.	Non-Fiction	Easy
Masterminds	Gordon Korman	Eli and friends discover that some of them are physically prevented from leaving town – with violent pain and some sort of signal that brings the guards to take them back.	Fiction	Above Average
Island of the Blue Dolphins	Scott O'Dell	Karana and her brother, Ramo, are accidently stranded on their island.	Fiction	Challenging
Number the Stars	Lois Levy	Annemarie's best friend hides her Jewish family. Tension is high as the Nazis are everywhere looking for Jews or Jewish sympathizers.	Fiction	Average