



WESLEY  
INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

# Summer Reading 2022

## **2022 Theme - Summer Getaway**

The “Summer Getaway” as a literary theme can be interpreted in many ways. What does “Summer Getaway” mean to you? Students can choose their own books that fall within this theme. When children choose their own books they have a higher rate of completion, enjoyment and probability of reading again for pleasure.

Below is a choice board for the students to choose and complete 3 items around their chosen book(s). Also included will be information about other book lists you may want to explore.

### **Summer Reading Record**

Students are asked to record their summer reading on the “Summer Reading Record” which is included. A completed record, including a parent’s signature, should be returned to your child’s homeroom teacher on the first day of school.

### **Suggested Book Lists by Grade**

These lists are not required books, but suggestions of titles students may be interested in reading. They are in grade-level lists based on the content of the book and the book level is included for informational purposes. The Lexile levels per grade(s) are suggested by the GDOE.

**Rising Kindergarten (Lexile 25-75) & Rising 1st Grade (Lexile 190-530)**

*Bugs at the Beach* - Carter (L370)

*Summer Days and Nights* - Yee (L420)

*The Night Before Summer Vacation* (L530)

*The Sandcastle That Lola Built* - Maynor (L490)

*The Truth About My Unbelievable Summer* - Cali (L500)

*The Watermelon Seed* - Pizzoli (L350)

*Surf's Up* - Alexander (L310)

*Dude!* - Reynolds & Santat

**Rising 2nd Grade & Rising 3rd Grade (Lexile 420-820)**

*The Snail and the Whale* - Donaldson (L620)

*How to Code a Sandcastle* - Funk (L530)

*Come on Rain* - Hesse (L660)

*Caterpillar Summer* - McDunn (L540)

*At the Boardwalk* - Fineman (L520)

*It Began with Lemonade* - Stever (L550)

*The Night is Yours* - Zachariah (L820)

*Hello World! Ocean Life* - McDonald (L560)

*Benny and Babe* - Colfer (L650)

*Operation Bunny* - Gardner (L700)

*The Tail of Emily Winsnap* - Kessler (L540)

*The Aurora County All-Stars* - Wile (L670)

### **Rising 4th Grade & Rising 5th Grade** (Lexile 740-1010)

*A Long Way from Chicago* - Peck (L750)

*Summer Ball* - Lupica (L910)

*Nerd Camp* - Weissman (L810)

*The Penderwicks* - Birdsall (L800)

*The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora* - Cartaya (L750)

*Gold Medal Summer* - Freitas (L790)

*Spy Camp* - Gibbs (L740)

*My Summer of Pink & Green* - Greenwald (L740)

*Chomp and/or Scat* - Hiaasen (L800)

*Every Soul a Star* - Mass (L740)

*One Crazy Summer* - Williams-Garcia (L750)

### **Rising Year 1** (Lexile 800+)

*Summer Ball* - Lupica (L910)

*Nerd Camp* - Weissman (L810)

*Alice's Adventure in Wonderland* - Carroll (L870)

*Absolutely Normal Chaos* - Creech (L840)

*Chomp and/or Scat* - Hiaasen (L800)

*The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate* - Kelly (L830)

*Where the Mountain Meets the Moon* - Lin (L810)

*Criss Cross* - Perkins (L820)

*The Lightning Queen* - Resau (L790)

### **Rising Year 2 & 3 (Lexile 925+)**

*The Secret Garden* - Burnett (L950)

*The Jungle Book* - Kipling (L1080)

*Here Where the Sunbeams are Green* - Phillips (L940)

*The Hobbit* - J.R.R. Tolkien (L1000)

*The Egypt Game* - Zilpha Neatly Snyder (L1010)

*Story of King Arthur and His Knights* - Pyle (L1300)

*The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* - Douglas (L900)

*Deep Dream of the Rainforest* - Malcolm Bosse (L1020)

### **Curated Book Lists**

John Newberry Book Award - <https://alsc-awards-shelf.org/directory/results?booklist=10>

Pura Belpre Children's Author Awards -  
<https://alsc-awards-shelf.org/directory/results?booklist=5>

Caldecott Award - <https://alsc-awards-shelf.org/directory/results?booklist=6>

Sibert Informational Book Award - <https://alsc-awards-shelf.org/directory/results?booklist=3>

Notable Children's Books by ALCS - <https://alsc-awards-shelf.org/directory/results?booklist=14>

Georgia Children's Book Awards

K-4 - <https://alsc-awards-shelf.org/directory/results?booklist=14>

4-8 -

<http://gcba.coe.uga.edu/gcba-awards/past-award-winners-and-nominees/past-book-award-winners-grades-4-8/>

### Required Reading Choice Board

You must complete 3 activities from the choice board below. Please be sure to complete each activity on a separate sheet of paper.

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| <b><u>Alternate Ending:</u></b>                           | <b><u>Author Interview:</u></b>                                 | <b><u>Theme:</u></b>   |
| Write an Alternative ending to the book.                  | If you could ask the author 5 questions, what would they be?    | What is the theme of the story?  |
| <b><u>ELA:</u></b>  | <b><u>Illustrator:</u></b>                                      | <b><u>Text to Word Connection:</u></b>   |
| Find 10 examples of figurative language in the book       | Draw your favorite part of the story.                           | How is this text similar to things that happen in the real world?                            |
| <b><u>Vocabulary:</u></b>                                 | <b><u>IB:</u></b>   | <b><u>Character Interview:</u></b>   |
| Find 10 new vocabulary words and write their definitions. | What IB trait best describes each character in the story & why. | Choose a character from the novel. Create 3 questions you would ask him/her in an interview. |

**Summer Reading Log-pg.1**

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Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Summer Reading Log-Pg.2**

| Date | Name of Book | Author | Time Spent Reading |
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