

Ideas for Summer Reading:

This list is compiled from various sources suggesting appropriate reading material that match a student's ability. CedarWood Christian Academy does not necessarily endorse the views and opinions expressed in these writings. Parents should always use discernment in the material they allow their student to access and review to ensure it lines up with a Biblical worldview.

First Grade:

You may want to consider reading these books together with your student. They read a page. You read a page.

- Leaf, Munro. *How to Behave and Why*
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- Lloyd-Jones, Sally. *The Jesus Storybook Bible*
- Taylor, Helen. *Little Pilgrim's Progress*
- Leithart, Peter. *Wise Words: Family Stories that Bring the Proverbs to Life*
- Brown, Jeff. *Flat Stanley*
- Dalgliesh, Alice. *The Courage of Sarah Noble*

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- Bulla, Clyde. *Daniel's Duck*
- Carle, Eric. *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*
- Changler, Edna. *Cowboy Sam*
- Coerr, Eleanor. *The Josefina Story Quilt*
- Davoll, Barbara. *The Potluck Supper*
- Daugherty, James. *Andy and the Lion*
- Duvoisin, Roger. *Petunia*
- Flack, Marjorie. *Angus and the Ducks*
- Frasconi, Antonio. *The House that Jack Built*
- Freeman, Don. *Corduroy*
- Galdone, Paul. *The Little Red Hen*
- Graham, Margaret. *Benjy's Dog House*
- Hoban, Russell. *Bedtime for Frances.*
- Hoff, Syd. *Sammy the Seal*
- Hoff, Syd. *Danny and the Dinosaur*
- Hunt, Angela. *A Gift for Grandpa*
- Keats, Ezra. *Peter's Chair*
- Krauss, Ruth. *The Carrot Seed*
- Lionni, Leo. *Inch by Inch*

- Lowry, Jannette. *The Poky Little Puppy*
- Marshall, James. *George and Martha*
- McGovern, Ann. *Stone Soup*
- Numeroff, Laura. *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*
- Offen, Hilda. *A Treasury of Mother Goose*
- Parish, Peggy. *Amelia Bedelia*
- Potter, Beatrix. *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*
- Rey, Margaret & H.A. *Curious George*
- Sendak, Maurice. *Where the Wild Things Are*
- Seuss, Dr. *Beginner Books* and *Bright and Early Books*
- Tabak, Simms. *There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly*
- Turkle, Brinton. *Thy Friend, Obadiah*
- Wood, Audrey. *Quick as a Cricket*

Second Grade:

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- Andersen, Hans C. *The Emperor's New Clothes*
- Brown, Marcia. *Dick Whittington and His Cat*
- Burton, Virginia. *The Little House*
- Burton, Virginia. *Mike Mulligan and His Steamshovel*
- Cauley, Lorinda. *The Ugly Duckling*
- Cleary, Beverly. *The Mouse and the Motorcycle*
- Cleary, Beverly. *Ribsy*
- Lewis, C.S. *The Lion, Witch, and Wardrobe*
- Warner, Gerturde. *The Box-Car Children*
- Williams, Marjorie. *The Velveteen Rabbit*

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- Aardemas, Verna. *Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears*
- Bemelmans, Ludwig. *Madeline*
- Cannon, Janell. *Stellaluna*
- DeBrunhoff, Jean. *Babar*
- Flack, Marjorie. *The Story about Ping*
- Gag, Wanda. *Millions of Cats*
- Galdone, Paul. *The Three Bears*
- Gauch, Patricia. *Thunder at Gettysburg*

- Leaf, Munro. *The Story of Ferdinand*
- McCloskey, Robert. *Blueberries for Sal*
- Milne, A. A. *When We Were Young*
- Roop, Peter and Connie. *Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie*
- Slobodkina, Esphyr. *Caps for Sale*
- Sobol, Donald. *Secret Agents Four*
- Sproul, R. C. *The King Without a Shadow*
- Steig, William. *Doctor De Soto Goes to Africa*
- Taha, Karen. *A Gift for Tia Rosa*
- West, Jerry. *The Happy Hollisters*
- Yolen, Jane. *Owl Moon*

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- Atwater, Richard. *Mr. Popper's Penguins*
- Barrie, James. *Peter Pan*
- Farley, Walter. *The Black Stallion*
- Grahame, Kenneth. *The Wind in the Willows* (Scholastic Jr. Classic)
- Kipling, Rudyard. *The Jungle Book* (Scholastic Jr. Classic)
- Lewis, C. S. *The Horse and His Boy*
- Swift, Jonathan. *Gulliver's Stories* (Scholastic Jr. Classic)
- White, E. B. *Charlotte's Web*
- White, E. B. *Stuart Little*
- Winterfeld, Henry. *Detectives in Togas*

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- Bulla, Clyde. *A Lion to Guard Us*
- Cleary, Beverly. *Henry Huggins*
- Cleary, Beverly. *Ramona*
- Dalgliesh, Alice. *The Courage of Sarah Noble*
- Gardiner, John. *Stone Fox*
- Hall, Donald. *Ox-Cart Man*
- Henry, Marguerite. *Misty of Chincoteague*
- Herriot, James. *James Herriot's Treasury*
- Kellogg, Steven. *Paul Bunyan*
- Lindgren, Astrid. *Pippi Longstocking*

- MacGragor, Ellen. *Miss Pickerell*
- MacLachlan, Patricia. *Sarah, Plain and Tall*
- McSwigan, Marie. *Snow Treasure*
- Milne, A. A. *Winnie the Pooh*
- Nesbit, E. *The Story of the Treasure Seekers*
- Peretti, Frank. *The Door in the Dragon's Throat*
- Richardson, Arleta. *In Grandma's Attic*
- Streatfeild, Noel. *Ballet Shoes*
- Scieszka, Jon. *The Time Warp Trio: Sam Samurai*
- Stanley, Diane. *The True Adventure of Daniel Hall*
- Warner, Gertrude. *The Box-Car Children*

Fourth Grade:

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- Blackwood, Gary. *The Shakespeare Stealer*
- Burnett, Frances Hodgson. *The Secret Garden*
- Carroll, Lewis. *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*
- Dahl, Roald. *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*
- Daugherty, James. *The Magna Charta*
- de Angeli, Marguerite. *The Door in the Wall*
- Du Bois, William Pene. *Twenty-one Balloons*
- Green, Roger Lancelyn. *King Arthur and His Knights of the Round Table*
- Lewis, C. S. *Prince Caspian*
- Sis, Peter. *Starry Messenger: Galileo*
- Stanley, Diane and Peter Vennema. *Bard of Avon*
- Stanley, Diane. *Joan of Arc*
- Vernon, Louise A. *Thunderstorm in the Church*
- White, E. B. *The Trumpet of the Swan*

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- Adamson, Joy. *Born Free*
- Alcott, Louisa May. *The Little Women*
- Babbitt, Natalie. *Tuck Everlasting*
- Burnett, Frances H. *A Little Princess*

- Carlson, Natalie. *The Family Under the Bridge*
- Farley, Walter. *The Black Stallion*
- George, Jean C. *My Side of the Mountain*
- Knight, Eric. *Lassie Come Home*
- L'Engle, Madeline. *A Wrinkle in Time*
- Lenski, Lois. *Prairie School*
- Lofting, Hugh. *The Voyages of Dr. Doolittle*
- McSwigan, Marie. *Snow Treasure*
- Peretti, Frank. *The Cooper Kids Adventure*
- Robinson, Barbara. *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*
- Sidney, Margaret. *Five Little Peppers*
- Smith, Dodie. *The 101 Dalmations*
- Speare, Elizabeth. *The Sign of the Beaver*
- Taylor, Sydney. *All-of-A-Kind Family*
- Travers, P. I. *Mary Poppins*
- Verne, Jules. *20,000 Leagues Under the Sea*

Fifth Grade:

You may want to consider reading these books together with your student. They read a page. You read a page. Or, start a family book club. Read the book separately and then discuss it over dinner every Monday night.

- Brink, Carol. *Caddie Woodlawn*
- Byars, Betsy. *The Summer of the Swans*
- Cameron, Eleanor. *Mushroom Planet*
- Cleary, Beverly. *Dear Mr. Henshaw*
- Defoe, Daniel. *Robinson Crusoe*
- De Jong, Meindert. *Journey from Peppermint Street*
- Dodge, Mary. *Hans Brinker*
- Forbes, Esther. *Johnny Tremain*
- Gates, Doris. *Blue Willow*
- George, Jean Craighead. *Julie of the wolves*
- Gipson, Fred. *Old Yeller*
- Hanes, Mari. *Two Mighty Rivers*
- Lathan, Jean. *Carry On, Mr. Bowditch*
- Lewis, C. S. *The Silver Chair*
- Lewis, C. S. *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*
- MacDonald, George. *The Princess and Curdie*
- Montgomery, Lucy. *Anne of Grean Gables*
- North, Sterling. *Rascal*

- O'Dell, Scott. *Island of the Blue Dolphin*
- Porter, Eleanor. *Pollyanna*
- Seredy, Kate. *The White Stag*
- Stevenson, Robert Louis. *Treasure Island*
- Spyri, Johanna. *Heidi*
- Tolkien, J. R. R. *The Hobbit*
- Verne, Jules. *Around the World in Eighty Days*
- Wyss, Johann. *Swiss Family Robinson*

Sixth Grade:

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- Adams, Richard. *Watership Down*
- Baum, Frank L. *The Wizard of Oz*
- Bishop, Claire. *Twenty and Ten*
- Bradbury, Ray. *The Martian Chronicles*
- Carne, Stephen. *The Red Badge of Courage*
- Doyle, Arthur Conan. *Sherlock Holmes*
- Fisher, Dorothy. *Understood Betsy*
- Kjelgaard, James. *Big Red*
- Lester, Julius. *The Tales of Uncle Remus*
- Lewis, C. S. *The Magician's Nephew*
- Lewis, C. S. *The Last Battle*
- Marshall, Catherine. *Christy*
- O'Hara, Mary. *My Friend Flicka*
- Orwell, George. *Animal Farm*
- Rawlings, Marjorie. *The Yearling*
- Sorenson, Virginia. *Miracles on Maple Hill*
- Speare, Elizabeth. *The Bronze Bow*
- Sterling, Dorothy. *Freedom Train*
- Taylor, Mildred. *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*
- ten Boom, Corrie. *The Hiding Place*
- Trapp, Maria Augusta. *The Story of Trapp Family Singers*
- Tunnell, Michael. *Candy Bomber*
- Twain, Mark. *The Prince and the Pauper*
- Van Leeuwen, Jean. *Bound for Oregon*
- Yates, Elizabeth. *Amos Fortune, Free Man*

Junior High

- Aldrich, Thomas. *The Story of a Bad Boy*
- Austen, Jane. *Emma*
- Braithwaite, Edward. *To Sir, with Love*
- Bronter, Andrew. *God's Smuggler*
- Bunyan, John. *The Pilgrim's Progress*
- Colson, Charles, *Born Again*
- Defore, Daniel. *Robinson Crusoe*
- DeKruif, Paul. *Microbe Hunters*
- Dumas, Alexandre. *The Count of Monte Cristo*
- Eaton, Jeanette. *David Livingstone, Foe of Darkness*
- Forester, C. S. *Horatio Hornblower*
- Gilbreth, Carey. *Cheaper by the Dozen*
- Grant, George. *The Last Crusader*
- Henry, O. *The Best Short Stories of O. Henry*
- Herriot, James. *All Creatures Great and Small*
- Lee, Harper. *To Kill A Mockingbird*
- Kipling, Rudyard. *Captains Courageous*
- Lewis, C. S. *Chronicles of Narnia*
- Lewis, C. S. *The Screwtape Letters*
- O'Dell, Scott. *The Hawk That Dare Not Hunt by Day*
- Orczy, Baroness. *The Scarlet Pimpernel*
- Sheldon, Charles. *In His Steps*
- Stevenson, Robert Louis. *Treasure Island*
- Vaughn, David. *Give Me Liberty*
- White, T. H. *The Sword in the Stone*
- Yates, Elizabeth. *Amos Fortune, Free Man.*

High School

Angelou, Maya. *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*

Austen, Jane. *Pride and Prejudice*

Buck, Pearl S. *The Good Earth*

Cervantes, Miguel de. *Don Quixote*

Cooper, James Fenimore. *Last of the Mohicans*

Conelissen, Cornelia. *Soft Rain: A Story of the Cherokee Trail of Tears*

Crane, Stephen. *The Red Badge of Courage*

Defore, Daniel. *Robinson Crusoe*

Delany, Sarah and Elizabeth. *Having Our Say: The Delany Sisters' First 100 Years*

Dickens, Charles. *A Tale of Two Cities*

De Maurier, Daphne. *Rebecca*.
Doyle, A. Conan. *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes*
Dumas, Alexandre. *The Three Musketeers*
Fitzgerald, F. Scott. *The Great Gatsby*
Frank, Anne. *The Diary of a Young Girl*
Godling, William. *Lord of the Flies*
Haley, Alex. *Roots*
Hardy, Thomas. *Return of the Native*
Hemingway, Ernest. *The Old Man and the Sea*
Herriot, James. *All Creatures Great and Small*
Hurston, Zora Neale. *Their Eyes Were Watching God*
Lee, Harper. *To Kill a Mockingbird*
Levitin, Sonia. *Journey to America*
Lewis, C. S. *Chronicles of Narnia*
Lewis, C. S. *The Screwtape Letters*
London, Jack. *The Sea Wolf*.
London, Jack. *Call of the Wild*
Mansfield, Stephen. *Never Give In: The Extraordinary Character of Winston Churchill*
Mitchell, Margaret. *Gone with the Wind*
Myers, Water Dean. *The Glory Field*
Orwell, George. *1984*
Potok, Chaim. *The Chosen*
Remarque, Erich Maria. *All Quiet on the Western Front*
Scott, Sir Walter. *Ivanhoe*.
Shelley, Mary. *Frankenstein*.
Shepard, Alan and Deke Slayton. *Moon Shot: The Inside Story of America's Race to the Moon*.
Steinbeck, John. *The Pearl*
Stevenson, Robert Louis. *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*
Swift, Jonathan. *Gulliver's Travels*
Taylor, Mildred. *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*
Thoene, Bodie. *The Zion Covenant Series*
Thoreau, Henry David. *Walden*
Tolkein, J. R. R. *The Hobbit*
Trapp, Maria Augusta. *The Story of Trapp Family Singers*
Twain, Mark. *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*
Wallace, Lew. *Ben Hur*
Wells, H. G. *The Time Machine*
White, T. H. *The Sword in the Stone*
Winik, Jay. *April 1865: The Month That Saved America*
Wyss, Johann. *The Swiss Family Robinson*
York, Alvin. *Sergeant York and the Great War*