

Petal Upper Elementary School 2019 Summer Reading

Dear Incoming Petal Upper Elementary School Students,

The following books are required reading for the summer:

1) All the books (and I mean ALL the books) you really want to read!

2) Any of the books that your friend wants you to read and, once you start, you actually like.

Here are some suggestions from your fellow classmates!

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Sports Illustrated for Kids Magazine

National Geographic Kids Magazine

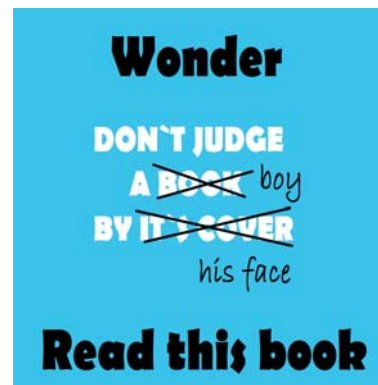
Guinness World Records Books

Breakaway

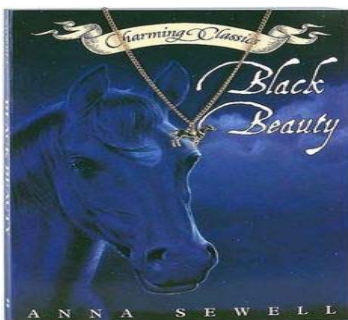
Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster

The Cay by Theodore Taylor

Mr. Tucket by Gary Paulsen



3) One (or more if you choose) of the books your mom/dad/grandparent/teacher/or any other person who looks a LOT older than you promises you will LOVE if once you start it you do indeed discover you do love it. For example:



The Mixed Up Files of Basil E. Frankweiler

Harry Potter Series by J.K. Rowling

Percy Jackson Series

A Wrinkle in Time

Black Beauty

Anne of Green Gables by L.M. Montgomery

The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint Exupery

4) Something you think looks hard. You'll discover if you really want to read it, it won't actually be that hard. Such as:

I am Malala

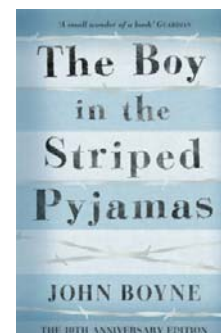
Lost in the Pacific, 1942

Lost in Outer Space, The Incredible Journey of Apollo 13

Upside Down in the Middle of Nowhere

Boy in the Striped Pajamas

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott



5) An author or topic you haven't read before. You might discover a new topic or author you really like! Here are some great suggestions!

Mike Lupica Books: Heat; The Underdogs; The Batboy; Million-Dollar Throw

Gary Paulsen Series: Hatchet, The River, Brian's Winter, Brian's Return, Brian's Hunt

Richard Peck Books: A Long Way from Chicago, A Year Down Yonder, A Season of Gifts

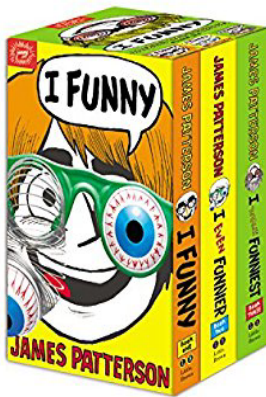
C.S. Lewis Series: Chronicles of Narnia

Lois Lowery Series: The Giver, Gathering Blue, Messenger

James Dashner Books: The Maze Runner Series



6) Joke books. These, among many others, will keep you laughing (and will make your parents nuts). Be sure to tell the corniest jokes during dinner.



Laugh-Out-Loud Jokes for Kids

Knock Knock Jokes for Kids

National Geographic Kids: Just Joking

Silly Jokes for Silly Kids

James Patterson Series: I Funny; I Even Funnier; I Totally Funniest

Flora and Ulysses

Ungifted

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series

101 Ways to Bug Your Friends, Teachers..., Parents....

And then, you simply must finish the summer with more of what YOU want to read. Please keep us updated on Facebook or via email about the books you are enjoying over the summer! We can't wait to hear from our students!

Love,

**Petal Upper Elementary School
Teachers and Staff**

Source: Kylene Beers, award-winning educator and author of *When Kids Can't Read/What Teachers Can Do*; *Notice and Note: Strategies for Close Reading*; *Adolescent Literacy: Turning Promise into Practice*; and *Elements of Literature*.

