




BrainTree Summer Book Bingo
for students entering grade 5

Have fun reading this summer!
Earn BINGO by completing five squares in a row —
up, down, across, or diagonally!
How many bingos can you earn?

Student Name: _____ Parents, please sign here at the end of the summer: _____

<p>Read a book about pioneer life</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a book about sports</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a great picture book</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read historical fiction</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a book about planets or the universe</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>
<p>Read a book about an animal</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a poetry book</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a mystery book</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a book about the American Revolution</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a book by a local author</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>
<p>Read at the beach (or outside)</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a newspaper article</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Sign up for Thayer Library's Summer Reading program and start logging your books!</p> 	<p>Read a biography</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a fable or tall tale</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>
<p>Read a book about a fifth grader</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a fantasy or an adventure book</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a book about colonial life</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read to an adult</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read an award-winning book</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>
<p>Read a book about nature or the environment</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a story about people in another culture</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read to a younger child, a pet, or a stuffed animal</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Read a realistic fiction book</p>  <p>Title: _____</p>	<p>Interview an adult about World War II</p>  <p>Who? _____</p>

Students entering grade 5 are usually ready to do some independent reading. Even though they can read on their own, it's still fine to read books aloud or together as you complete the squares on the bingo board.

No need to initial each square—just sign at the end of the summer to indicate that your child read all of the books that he or she has filled into the board. Children will bring their boards to school in September, so watch for news about bingo recognitions from your school!

As you help your child select books to read this summer, please consider this list a starting point. These titles are suggestions from teachers across town and the librarians at Thayer Library. None of these are required reads, and students are welcome to read from the grade levels above or below their own. We hope you find this list helpful as you look for new great reads and perhaps revisit some old favorites.

Suggested books for students entering fifth grade...

The *Series of Unfortunate Events* Series by Lemony Snicket

Black Beauty by Anna Sewell

Bud, Not Buddy by Paul Christopher Curtis

The *Guardians of Ga'hoole* Series by Kathryn Lasky

The *Dealing with Dragons* Series by Patricia Wrede

Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine

The *Emmy* Series by Lynne Jonnell

Eragon by Christopher Paolini

Fablehaven by Brandon Mull

The King of Mulberry Street by Donna Jo Napoli

The *Lionboy* Books by Zizou Corder

Magyk by Angie Sage

The *Molly Moon* Series by Georgia Byng

On the Wings of Heroes by Richard Peck

The *Penderwicks* Books by Jeanne Birdsall

Prince of Fenway Park by Julianna Baggot

The *Redwall* Series by Brian Jacques

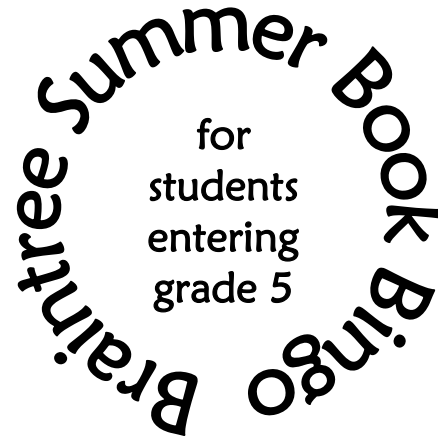
The *Rowan of Rin* Series by Emily Rodda

Ruby Holler by Sharon Creech

The Secret Garden by Frances Burnett

The *Spiderwick Chronicles* Series by Tony DiTerlizzi

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo



Dear Parents and Guardians:

I hope you and your student are enjoying the conclusion to a productive school year. During the school year, students have many opportunities to read and listen to books. Your support for those same reading experiences at home will help your child continue to grow as a reader, writer, thinker, and learner.

As you plan for the summer, please consider the literacy experiences your child will have in these months away from the classroom. Book Bingo is a great way to keep up the learning and the fun! Use the board on the back of this page to earn bingo (or more than one bingo!) as you read this summer.

In addition to local bookstores and online booksellers, the Thayer Public Library is a valuable (and free!) local resource. If you need help in selecting books, do not hesitate to ask the librarian!

For those of you planning travel this summer, consider going beyond the bookshelves and print pages to include audio books in your child's experience. These are available at the library on CD or on iTunes. While audio books are not a replacement for reading, they are a wonderful supplement, especially when experienced with a copy of the actual book.

As you explore these opportunities, remember that summer reading is for pleasure! I hope you and your child find many enjoyable books and stories to be part of your summer. I look forward to working with you throughout the year to assist with your child's literacy development.

Sincerely,

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Additional copies of this board and suggested books can be found at www.braintreeschools.org/summer