

**A Book**  
by Edgar Guest

"Now" - said a good book unto me -  
"Open my pages and you shall see  
Jewels of wisdom and treasures fine,  
Gold and silver in every line,  
And you may claim them if you but will  
Open my pages and take your fill.

"Open my pages and run them o'er,  
Take what you choose of my golden store.  
Be you greedy, I shall not care -  
All that you seize I shall gladly spare;  
There is never a lock on my treasure doors,  
Come - here are my jewels, make them  
yours!

"I am just a book on your mantel shelf,  
But I can be part of your living self;  
If only you'll travel my pages through,  
Then I will travel the world with you.  
As two wines blended make better wine,  
Blend your mind with these truths of mine.

"I'll make you fitter to talk with men,  
I'll touch with silver the lines you pen,  
I'll lead you nearer the truth you seek,  
I'll strengthen you when your faith grows  
weak -  
This place on your shelf is a prison cell,  
Let me come into your mind to dwell!"

# Summer Reading



**Mintz Christian Academy**  
Required Summer Reading  
Rising 3rd Graders

## The Courage of Sarah Noble

Author of Book: Alice Dalgliesh

Give the name of the main character and tell something about that person.

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In your own words, tell about the book.

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Things to remember:

- Please bring your booklet filled out on the first day of school
- Don't wait until the last minute to start reading. Rushed work is never excellent! It also takes the joy out of reading.
- Make sure you use neat handwriting.
- Be prepared to share what you have written with the class.
- Visit the library often!



## Rising Third Graders

### Recommended: any of the following

The Ugly Ducklings by Hans Christian Anderson  
The Wednesday Surprise by Eve Bunting  
St. Patrick's Day in the Morning by Eve Bunting  
Chanticleer and the Fox by Geoffrey Chaucer  
How the Rhinoceros Got His Skin by Rudyard Kipling  
Here Comes the Strikeout by Leonard Kessler  
The Coco, the Mouse, and Little Red Hen by Felicite Lafevre  
Patches Finds a New Home by Edna Miller  
Mousekin's Family by Edna Miller  
When We Were Very Young by A.A. Milne  
Winnie-the-Pooh by A.A. Milne  
One Morning in Maine by Robert McClosky  
Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McClosky  
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day  
by Judith Viorst  
Charlotte's Web by E.B. White  
The Velveteen Rabbit by Margery Williams  
The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter  
Christian fiction picture books by Max Lucado

### Books in the following series:

Narnia Chronicles for young readers  
Berenstain Bears chapter book series by Stan and Jan Berenstain  
Encyclopedia Brown series by Donald J. Sobol  
The Boxcar Children series by G. C. Warner  
Black Stallion series by Walter Farley  
Magic School Bus series by Joanna Cole  
Magic Tree House series by Mary Pope Osborne  
Nate the Great series by Marjorie Sharmat  
Books by Beverly Cleary  
Judy Moody series by Megan McDonald  
Butterfly Meadow series by Olivia Moss  
Little Animal Ark series by Ben Baglio  
Puppy Place series by Ellen Miles  
Ready Freddie series by Abby Klein  
Jack Gets a Clue series by Nancy Krulik

## Non-Fiction

Title of Book: \_\_\_\_\_

Author of Book: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Pages: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Picture Book (Higher Level)**

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Author of Book: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Pages: \_\_\_\_\_

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In your own words, tell about the book.

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**Christian Fiction / Fiction Chapter Book**

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Author of Book: \_\_\_\_\_

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