

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.

In your own words, tell about the book.

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: _____

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

In your own words, tell about the book.

Picture Book (Higher Level)

Title of Book: _____

Author of Book: _____

Number of Pages: _____

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

In your own words, tell about the book.

Christian Fiction / Fiction Chapter Book

Title of Book: _____

Author of Book: _____

Number of Pages: _____

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

In your own words, tell about the book.
