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Required Summer Reading for Rising Fifth Graders

Each Upper School student is required to read over the summer vacation. Our goal is that all students are engaging with literature, whether it is curling up with a book during rest time at camp, listening to an audio book on a family car trip, or reading with a family member at bedtime. Developing a love of reading is so important for developing the imagination, improving critical thinking, and improving writing skills!

Assignment 1

- Read at least 5-10 books of your choice.
- Audio books and books you read with a family member count, as long as you read some books on your own.
- We highly encourage you to try a variety of genres over the summer and to read books on a variety of subject matter.
- If you attended Town in Fourth grade, you made a list of books that you would like to read over the summer, which you brought home at the end of the year. You do not have to read all of the books on this list, but it's a good place to start.
- If you need more book recommendations, please check out *The Town School Reading List* on Town Today for more ideas or visit your local public library.

Assignment 2

- Please keep a list of all the books you read over the summer.
- Your list should be neatly written on lined paper or typed.
- Include both the title and author for each book.
- Bring the list on the first day of school in September.

Challenge

- Your teachers would like to challenge you to try one of the following:
 1. Read a book about a character who doesn't live like you or look like you.
 2. Read a book about a topic you don't know much about.
 3. Read a book in a format that you don't normally read. This might be poetry, a graphic novel, etc.
- This challenge is optional.