

**Denville Township  
Summer Learning  
Assignments**



**Grade 4 to 5**

# Fifth Grade Summer Reading!

Dear Future Fifth Graders,

Reading at home builds skills that will have lifelong implications: you will have a stronger mind, a larger vocabulary, a more vivid imagination, and a better understanding of how to write.

Students that read for a half an hour a day are four times more likely to graduate with honors. Students who read at home have higher grades in school. Students who read at home are more successful in all of their subjects (Science, Math, History, everything) because they have developed their comprehension of the written word. It broadens your mind because of the enriching, exciting experience it offers to you. You may ride a dragon, spelunk down an eerie cave, and ride through the Australian outback all in one day. You will know how it feels to be someone else, so you may even learn how to understand your fellow human being (or rabbit, or plant, etc.).

According to a study entitled *Growth in Reading and How Children Spend Their Time Outside of School*,

1. Students who read 30 minutes per day read a staggering **2,357,000 words per year**.
2. Students who read for 30 minutes per day, on average, rank in the **90<sup>th</sup> percentile of their graduating class**.
3. Fifth grade students who read on a daily basis will acquire **between 3,000 to (an astonishing) 10,000 new words this year**.

Please find a book that interests you and dig in. Find a quiet place. Slip into a different world for a while.

Make it clear to everybody in your house that you need time to read every day. Tell them that it is important to you. Believe us, it is.

## Your summer reading assignment:

Please select two of your favorite pages from a book you have read this summer. Pick something you think is worth sharing with the class. Bring in the book (or a copy of the pages) to read aloud to us.

You will be responsible for responding to the following questions:

- Why did you pick this part of the book to share?
- How does this book represent what kind of reader you are?

Within the first few days of school, you will share your responses. Responsible students sometimes rehearse reading their passage and their responses, make a bulleted list of their reasoning, or write their response out in full so they feel prepared. It is up to you how you will handle the assignment.

Regardless, please read often this summer and get lost in a good book. We look forward to the discoveries we will make together in reading next year.

Thank you,  
Your Future Fifth Grade Teacher

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## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Suggested Summer Reading Titles

<u>Fiction books:</u> (Realistic, Mystery, Historical, Fantasy, Science Fiction)	<u>Nonfiction books:</u> (informational & biography)
<b>Level O titles:</b>	<b>Level O titles:</b>
<p>Amber Brown Is Green With Envy Mazer            Angel Child, Dragon Child Surat            Can You Fly High, Wright Brothers? Berger &amp; Berger            Chocolate Fever Smith            Jake Drake, Know-It-All Clements            Lost Treasure of the Emerald Eye Stilton            The Patchwork Quilt Flournoy            Pinduli Cannon            Shark Lady: True Adventures of Eugenie Clark McGovern            The Talented Clementine Pennypacker            My America: The Starving Time, Elizabeth's Jamestown Colony Diary            Qwerty Stevens Stuck in Time with Benjamin Franklin – Dan Gutman            Dogs Don't Tell Jokes – Louis Sachar            The Vicar of Nibbleswicke – Roald Dahl            Mini Pins – Roald Dahl</p>	<p>Apples to Oregon -Hopkinson            Beachcombing- Arnosky            The Busy Body Book -Rockwell            Coming to America -Maestro            In the Garden with Dr. Carver -Grigsby            Manfish -Berne            Planets -Carney            Rocks &amp; Minerals -Zoehfeld            Sonia Sotomayor -(Bil) Winter            Tell Me, Tree –Gibbons            Jackie Robinson: Young Sports Trailblazer – Dan Gutman</p>
<b>Level P titles:</b>	<b>Level P titles:</b>
<p>Countdown to the Year 1000 -McMullan            Da Wild, Da Crazy, Da Vinci -Scieszka            Helen Keller's Teacher -Davidson            Koya DeLaney and the Good Girl Blues -Greenfield            The Magic School Bus and the Science Fair Expedition -Cole            La Mariposa Jiminez            The Nina, the Pinta, and the Vanishing Treasure (Alec Flint Super Sleuth) -Santopolo            The Talking Eggs San -Souci            Who Stole the Wizard of Oz? -Avi            You Can't See Your Bones with Binoculars, A Guide to Your 206 Bones- Ziefert            Goosebumps series            Wayside School is Falling Down – Louis Sachar            Sideways Stories from Wayside School – Louis Sachar            The Edison Mystery: Back in Time – Dan Gutman            The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me – Roald Dahl            George's Marvelous Medicine – Roald Dahl            Fantastic Mr. Fox – Roald Dahl            Geronimo Stilton series – Geronimo Stilton</p>	<p>Amelia and Eleanor Go for a Ride -Muñoz Ryan            The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind -Kamkwamba            Girl Wonder -Hopkinson            Grandma's Gift -Velasquez            If I Ran for President -Avril            Life in the Ocean –Nivola            The Moon -Simon            So You Want to Be an Inventor? -St. George            Take a Giant Leap, Neil Armstrong! -Roop            Who Would Win? Wolverine vs. Tasmanian Devil - Pallotta</p>
<b>Level Q titles:</b>	<b>Level Q titles:</b>
<p>Abby Takes a Stand -McKissack            Amulet: Book One, The Stonekeeper -Kibuishi            Bunnica: A Rabbit-Tale of Mystery -Howe            Champ- Jones            Just Juice Hesse            The Life and Times of the Peanut -Micucci            Mummies, Pyramids, and Pharaohs: A Book About</p>	<p>Amazing Magnetism -Carmi            Scraps of Time Away West -McKissack            Barnum's Bones -Fern            Bugs -Arlon            The Camping Trip That Changed America -Rosenstock            Dinosaurs -Arlon</p>

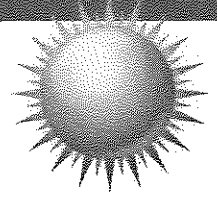
<p><b>Ancient Egypt</b>- Gibbons  <b>Oggie Cooder</b>- Weeks  <b>Punished!</b> -Lubar  <b>You Be the Detective</b> –Miller  <b>Mr. Popper’s Penguins</b>  <b>Little House series</b> – Laura Ingalls Wilder  <b>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane</b> – Kate DiCamillo  <b>The Homework Machine</b> – Dan Gutman  <b>There’s a Boy in the Girl’s Bathroom</b> – Louis Sachar  <b>Soccer Duel</b> – Christopher Brown  <b>Fight for Life</b> – Laurie Halse Anderson</p>	<p><b>A Medieval Feast</b> -Aliko  <b>Playing to Win</b> -Deans  <b>Testing the Ice</b> -Robinson  <b>WordGirl Tobey or Consequences, A Teleplay</b> - Ferraiolo</p>
<b>Level R titles</b>	<b>Level R titles:</b>
<p><b>Achoo! The Most Interesting Book You’ll Ever Read</b>  <b>About Germs</b>- Romanek  <b>The Island</b>- Paulsen  <b>More Than Anything Else</b>- Bradby  <b>Pocahontas and the Strangers</b>- Bulla  <b>The Report Card</b> -Clements  <b>Rules</b> -Lord  <b>The Trumpet of the Swan</b> -White  <b>Wackiest White House Pets</b> -Davis  <b>When Marian Sang</b>- Ryan Charlotte’s Web – E.B. White  <b>Because of Winn Dixie</b> – Kate DiCamillo  <b>Shiloh</b> – Phyllis Reynolds Naylor  <b>The Spiderwick Chronicles series</b> – Holly Black  <b>Ink trilogy</b> – Cornelia Funke  <b>They Came from Center Field</b> – Dan Gutman  <b>The Boy Who Lost His Face</b> – Louis Sachar  <b>Big Nate series</b> – Lincoln Peirce  <b>The School Story</b> – Andrew Clements  <b>Frindle</b> – Andrew Clements  <b>The Landry News</b> – Andrew Clements  <b>Starting with Alice</b> – Phyllis Reynolds Naylor  <b>Star in the Storm</b> – Joan Hiatt Harlow  <b>The Witches</b> – Roald Dahl  <b>Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator</b> – Roald Dahl  <b>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory</b> – Roald Dahl  <b>Owen Foote, Mighty Scientist</b> – Stephanie Greene</p>	<p><b>Annie Sullivan and the Trials of Helen Keller</b> - Lambert  <b>The Buzz on Bees</b> -Rotner  <b>Everything Dolphin</b> -Crisp  <b>Horses</b> -Simon  <b>Looking Like Me</b> -Myers  <b>Luis Alvarez</b> -Venezia  <b>Queen of the Track</b> -Lang  <b>Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes</b> -Coerr  <b>Trail of Tears</b>- Bruchac  <b>Volcanoes</b> -Simon</p>
<b>Level S titles</b>	<b>Level S titles:</b>
<p><b>4 Kids in 5E &amp; 1 Crazy Year</b> -Schwartz  <b>Beethoven Lives Upstairs</b>- Nichol  <b>Bluish</b> -Hamilton  <b>A Dog’s Life: The Autobiography of a Stray</b>-Martin  <b>Granny Torrelli Makes Soup</b>- Creech  <b>In the Shade of the Ni½spero Tree</b> -Bernier-Grand  <b>Let It Begin Here! Lexington &amp; Concord: First Battles of the American Revolution</b> -Fradin  <b>Puppies, Dogs, and Blue Northers</b> -Paulsen  <b>Tru Confessions</b>- Tashjian  <b>The Lightning Thief series</b> – Rick Riordan  <b>Percy Jackson series</b> – Rick Riordan  <b>Chasing Vermeer</b> – Blue Balliett  <b>Sideways Arithmetic from Wayside School</b> – Louis Sachar  <b>The Kid Who Became President</b> – Dan Gutman  <b>The Million Dollar Shot</b> – Dan Gutman  <b>The Million Dollar Strike</b> – Dan Gutman  <b>Sixth Grade Secrets</b> – Louis Sachar</p>	<p><b>Cod’s Tale, The</b> -Kurlansky  <b>Dancing Home</b> -Ada  <b>Helen Keller Her Life in Pictures</b> -Sullivan  <b>Lizards</b> -Bishop  <b>Louie</b> -Noland  <b>Martin’s Big Words</b> -Rappaport  <b>Monster Hunt</b> -Arnosky  <b>Nelson Mandela</b> -Nelson  <b>Neo Leo</b> -Barretta  <b>A Thousand Cranes: A Play</b> -Miller</p>

<p><b>Thunder from the Sea</b> – Joan Hiatt Harlow  <b>Whatever After series</b> – Sarah Mlynowski  <b>Matilda</b> – Roald Dahl  <b>The Twits</b> – Roald Dahl  <b>Smile</b> – Raina Telgemeier</p>	
<b>Level T titles:</b>	<b>Level T titles:</b>
<p><b>The 10 Deadliest Plants</b>- Littlefield  <b>The Amazing Life of Benjamin Franklin</b>- Giblin  <b>Chasing Vermeer</b>- Balliett  <b>Dirty Tricks</b> -Rodda  <b>Drita, My Homegirl</b> -Lombard  <b>Fair Weather</b> -Peck  <b>Orphan Train Rider: One Boy's True Story</b>- Warren  <b>The Power of Un-</b> Etchemendy  <b>Replay</b> -Creech  <b>Something Upstairs</b>- Avi  <b>Chronicles of Narnia series</b> – C.S. Lewis</p>	<p><b>Bad News for Outlaws</b> -Nelson  <b>Bill the Boy Wonder</b>- Nobleman  <b>The Great Serum Race</b>- Miller  <b>Hands Around the Library</b> -Abouraya  <b>Ida B. Wells</b> -Myers  <b>Jackie Robinson</b> -Robinson  <b>Looking at Lincoln</b>- Kalman  <b>Muscles</b> -Simon  <b>My Librarian Is a Camel</b> -Ruurs  <b>The Strongest Man in the World</b> -Debon</p>
<b>Level U titles:</b>	<b>Level U titles:</b>
<p><b>A Christmas Carol</b> – Charles Dickens  <b>The Secret Garden</b> – Frances Hodgson Burnett  <b>Wonder</b> – R.J. Palacio  <b>The Secret of Fortune Wookie</b> – Tom Angleberger  <b>43 Old Cemetery Road series</b> – Kate Klise  <b>My Side of the Mountain</b> – Jean Craighead George  <b>Ella Enchanted</b> – Gail Carson Levine  <b>The Get Rich Quick Club</b> – Dan Gutman  <b>The Tale of Desperaux</b> – Kate DiCamillo  <b>Sand Dollar Summer</b> – Kimberly K. Jones  <b>The BFG</b> – Roald Dahl</p>	<p><b>The Double Life Of Pocahontas</b>- Jean Fritz  <b>Volcano: The Eruption And Healing Of Mount St. Helens</b>- Patricia Lauber  <b>Ordinary Genius: The Story Of Albert Einstein</b>  Stephanie S. McPherson</p>
<b>Level V titles:</b>	<b>Level V titles:</b>
<p><b>Esperanza Rising</b> – Pam Munoz Ryan  <b>Darth Paper Strikes Back</b> – Tom Angleberger  <b>Holes</b> – Louis Sachar  <b>Harry Potter series</b> – J.K. Rowling  <b>Island of Blue Dolphins series</b> – Scott O'Dell  <b>Dork Diaries series</b> – Rachel Renee Russell  <b>Million-Dollar Throw</b> – Mike Lupica  <b>Heat</b> – Mike Lupica  <b>Olive's Ocean</b> – Kevin Henkes  <b>Heroes Don't Run: A Novel of the Pacific War</b>  <b>On the Far Side of the Mountain</b> – Jean Craghead George</p>	<p><b>The Boston Tea Party</b>, Stein, R. Conrad  <b>Harry Houdini Series: DK Biography</b> By Cobb, Vicki  <b>Sojourner Truth: Ain't I A Woman?</b>  McKissack, Patricia and Fredrick</p>
<b>Level W titles:</b>	<b>Level W titles:</b>
<p><b>The Invention of Hugo Cabret</b> – Brian Selznick  <b>The Mysterious Benedict Society series</b> – Trenton Lee Stewart  <b>There's a Dead Person Following My Sister Around</b> – Vivian Vande Velde</p>	<p><b>Anne Frank: Life In Hiding</b>-Johanna Hurwitz  <b>Arctic Explorer: The Story Of Matthew Henson</b>- Jeri Ferris  <b>Secrets Of The Mummies Series: DK Reader Level 4</b>  Harriet Griffey</p>
<b>Level X titles:</b>	<b>Level X titles:</b>
<p><b>Where the Red Fern Grows</b> – Wilson Rawls  <b>Travel Team</b> – Mike Lupica  <b>The Glory Field</b> – Walter Dean Myers  <b>Dragon's Blood</b> – Jane Yolen  <b>Artemis Fowl series</b> – Eoin Colfer</p>	<p><b>Freedom Walkers: The Story Of The Montgomery Bus Boycott</b> –Russell Freedman  <b>Through My Eyes</b> - Ruby Bridges</p>

<b>Level Y titles:</b>	<b>Level Y titles:</b>
<b>The Book Thief</b> – Markus Zusak <b>Artemis Fowl series</b> – Eoin Colfer	<b>Blizzard! The Storm That Changed America</b> Jim Murphy <b>Children Of The Dust Bowl: The True Story Of The School At Weedpatch Camp</b> - Jerry Stanley <b>Greek Myths</b> - Olivi Coolidge
<b>Level Z titles:</b>	<b>Level Z titles:</b>
<b>War Horse</b> – Michael Morpurgo	<b>I will plant you a Lilac Tree</b> - Laura Hillman <b>The Greatest: Muhammad Ali</b> - Walter Dean Myers <b>Chasing Lincoln's Killer (Young Reader's Edition)</b> - James L. Swanson



### Summer Fun with Reflex!



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Help your child avoid the “summer slide” and encourage them to use their Reflex account this summer! Reflex is an online, game-based program that helps students build fast and effortless recall of math facts. Research has shown that quick recall of math facts is critical for future success in mathematics.

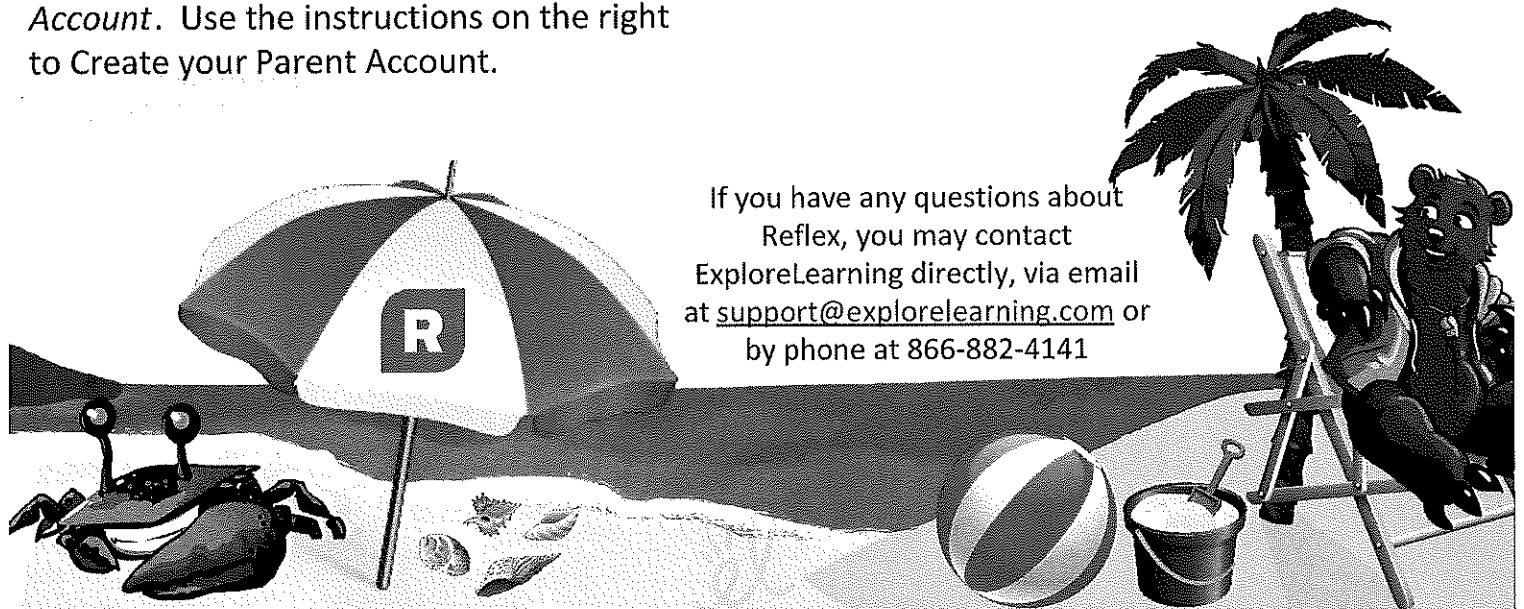
- Students are encouraged to login to **Reflex** math through their student portal at least 3 times a week and strive for the “ **green light**” each time.
- Your child can utilize the **Reflex** math program from any device with internet access throughout the summer.
- **Reflex** helps students of all ability levels to develop fluency with their basic facts in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- **Reflex** continuously monitors your child’s performance to create an optimal experience for them.
- Parents can easily monitor their child’s progress by creating a *Free Reflex Parent Account*. Use the instructions on the right to Create your Parent Account.

#### Create a Free Parent Account

To set up an account, you will need your child’s Reflex login information: (teacher’s Reflex Username, the name of the Reflex Class, and your child’s Reflex Password).

1. Go to [reflexmath.com/parent](http://reflexmath.com/parent)
2. Follow The onscreen instructions to create your free account
3. Go to [www.reflexmath.com/reports](http://www.reflexmath.com/reports)
4. Once you are logged, follow the instructions to add your child.
5. Once registered, launch the parent account at [www.reflexmath.com/reports](http://www.reflexmath.com/reports) to log into your new account. Enter your Username (your email address) and Password and click Submit.

If you have any questions about Reflex, you may contact ExploreLearning directly, via email at [support@explorellearning.com](mailto:support@explorellearning.com) or by phone at 866-882-4141



\*Please see chart on reverse side for more information. \*The table below explains the levels of *Reflex Math* and the district fact fluency goals at each grade level.

<i>Reflex Math</i> Levels		Denville Township Schools <b>FACT FLUENCY GOALS</b>	
<b>Level 1</b> Students enrolled in	<b>Addition &amp; Subtraction</b>	<b>Grade K</b>	Plus 0, Plus 1, Doubles & Ten Pairs
Grades K-2	(Addends to 10)	<b>Grade 1</b>	Sums to 10
		<b>Grade 2</b>	Sums to 20
<b>Level 2</b> Students enrolled in Grade 3	<b>Multiplication &amp; Division</b> (Factors 0-10)	<b>Grade 3</b>	Factors 0 to 10
<b>Level 3</b> Students enrolled in Grades 4-5	<b>Multiplication &amp; Division</b> (Factors 0-12)	<b>Grade 4</b>	Factors 0 to 12
		<b>Grade 5</b>	Factors 0 to 12

**UPDATED Information about the Green Light!**

- ✓ When the Green Light illuminates in the upper right hand corner, this indicates that the **Daily Usage Requirement** has been met.
- ✓ If students do not reach the Green Light in their first session of the day, they can login later to build on the progress they made earlier in the day.
- ✓ Typically, students reach the green light in **15 minutes** of concentrated use. Students can choose to continue working after the Green Light illuminates.
- ✓ **New games** are unlocked after a certain number of Green-Light sessions.

