



Parents & Guardians

Our summer reading program is based upon these four goals:

- (1) Maintain learning gains from school year,
- (2) Develop stronger reading skills,
- (3) Expose children to quality literature, and
- (4) Encourage a love of books.

Ideas to support your child's summer reading:

- Set aside time each day for reading
- Read together as a family
- Allow your child to choose the book
- Plan regular visits to the library
- Listen to audiobooks in the car
- Participate in the summer programs at the local library

How to Rock the Read Aloud

- Read with expression. Try creating different voices for different characters.
- Encourage your child to ask questions about the characters, pictures, and words.
- Talk about the story with your child. Did he or she like it? Why?
- Your child may want you to read the same story over and over again. After several retellings, ask your child to tell *you* the story.
- Model Making Connections: Strong readers aren't passive—their minds are constantly making connections between what they read and the world around them. As you read, pause to connect the book to other books you have read together, to your memories, or to places or events you both know.

Entering Fourth Grade



This summer, spend some time exploring the world around you through the books we have compiled! In this brochure you will discover great new books by award-winning authors.

Did you know that you can use the library's lobby/curbside pick-up to borrow books? Or, that many books are available in eAudio or eBook format, too. Not sure how this works? Just ask your librarian.

Our town librarians are book experts. They have *thousands* of amazing books that they want to share with you! Whatever you're interested in, there's a book for you. Adventure awaits!

Ayer Public Library

(978-772-8250)
26 E. Main Street, Ayer, MA
www.ayerlibrary.org

Hazen Memorial Library (978-425-2620)

3 Keady Way, Shirley, MA
www.shirleylibrary.org



Grade 4 Suggested Titles

Title	Author	Type
Amina's Voice	Hena Khan	Fiction
Bea Wolf a Graphic Novel	Zach Weinersmith	Fiction
Bud, Not Buddy	Christopher Paul Curtis	Fiction
Can I Touch Your Hair?: Poems of Race, Mistakes, and Friendship	Irene Lathan	NonFiction
City of Dragons (series)	Jaimal Yogis	Fiction
Creatures of the Pines	Adam Gidwitz	Fiction
El Deafo	Cece Bell	Fiction
Elf Dog and Owlhead	M.T. Anderson	Fiction
Hello Universe	Erin Entrada Kelly	Fiction
Holes	Louis Sachar	Fiction
Honeybee: The Busy Life of Apis Mellifera	Candace Fleming	NonFiction
I Survived...(series)	Lauren Tarshis	Fiction
Invisible: A Graphic Novel	Christina Diaz Gonzalez	Fiction
Katie and the Catsitter	Colleen AF Venable	Fiction
Killer Underwear Invasion! How to Spot Fake News, Disinformation, and Conspiracy Theories	Elise Gravel	NonFiction
National Geographic Kids Weird But True Series		NonFiction
Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets	Kwame Alexander	NonFiction
Planet Omar (Series)	Zanib Mian	Fiction
Science Comics: Dogs from Predator to Protector	Andy Hirsch (Graphic Series)	Fiction
Search for the Giant Squid: Pick your Path	Amy Seto Forrester	Fiction
Stepping Stone	Lucy Kinsley Graphic	Fiction
The Aquanaut: A Graphic Novel	Dan Santat	Fiction
The Cardboard Kingdom	Chad Sell	Fiction
The Last Day of Summer	Lamar Giles	Fiction
The Last Kids on Earth	Max Brallier	Fiction
The Map of Flames: The Forgotten Five	Lisa McMann	Fiction
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane	Kate DiCamillo	Fiction
The One and Only Ivan, or Bob, or Ruby	Katherine Applegate	Fiction
The Stormrunner (series)	J.C. Cervantes	Fiction
The Unforgettable Logan Foster Book	Shawn Peters	Fiction
The Universe in You: A Microscopic Journey	Jason Chin	NonFiction
The Unteachables	Gordon Korman	Fiction
Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky (series)	Kwame Mbalia	Fiction
We're Not From Here	Geoff Rodkey	Fiction
What Makes a Monster? Scariest Creatures	Jess Keating	NonFiction
Wish	Barbara O'Connor	Fiction