



Boys entering Fourth Grade

Boys entering fourth grade are to read ONE of the following books and then an additional 2 books from the suggested reading list.

The required books are:

1. *Fort* by Cynthia DeFelice
2. *One Crazy Summer* by Rita Williams-Garcia
3. *Everest* by Gordon Korman
4. *The Landry News* by Andrew Clements

Suggested Titles

Edwards, Julie Andrews - *The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles*

Babbitt, Natalie - *The Search for Delicious*

Bellaire, John - *The Mansion in the Mist*

Blume, Judy - *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*

Christopher, Matt - *The Kid Who Only Hit Homers*

Cleary, Beverly - *Ribsy*

Clements, Andrew - *Frindle*

Coville, Bruce - *Aliens Ate My Homework*

Creech, Sharon - *Walk Two Moons*

Dahl, Roald - *Esio Trot*

Dear America series (published by Scholastic)

Dorris, Michael - *Sees Behind Trees*

Fleishman, Sid - *The Whipping Boy*

Fritz, Jean - *Can't You Make Them Behave, King George?*

George, Jean Craighead - *My Side of the Mountain*

Giff, Patricia Reilly - *Pictures of Hollis Woods*

Gutman, Dan - *The Kid Who Ran for President*

Hamilton, Virginia - *Zeely*

King-Smith, Dick - *Pigs Might Fly*

Lewis, C.S. - *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*

Lowry, Lois - *Attaboy, Sam*

MacLachlan, Patricia - *Caleb's Story*

Napoli, Donna Jo - *Soccer Shock*

Phyllis Reynolds Naylor - *King of the Playground*

North, Sterling - *Rascal*

O'Neill, Mary - *Hailstones and Halibut Bones*
Paulsen, Gary - *Hatchet*
Peck, Robert - *Soup*
Pinkwater, Daniel - *The Magic Pretzel*
Rockwell, Thomas - *How to Eat Fried Worms*
Sachar, Louis - *There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom*
Sperry, Armstrong - *Call it Courage*
Spinelli, Jerry - *Maniac Magee*
Viorst, Judith - *If I Were in Charge of the World and Other Worries: Poems for Children and their Parents*
White, E.B. - *Trumpet of the Swan*
Woodruff, Elvira - *Awfully Short for 4th Grade*
Yep, Lawrence - *The Ghost Fox*
Yolen, Jane - *Commander Toad and the Intergalactic Spy*

Please avoid the following titles as they are directly linked to curriculum taught in Fourth Grade:

Tia Lola Came to Stay by Julia Alvarez
Tiger Rising by Kate DiCamillo
Number the Stars by Lois Lowry
Dear Levi, by Elvira Woodruff
Mr. Tucket by Gary Paulsen
Soft Rain: The Cherokee Trail of Tears by Cornelia Cornelissen

**Below are some suggested activities to accompany the fourth grade reading lists.
(Use your writing journal)**

1. Characters: Invite one character to dinner and write a note of explanation to your mother.
2. Make up five interview questions (with answers) for the author.
3. Draw the setting of your book and explain it.
4. Explain why your book should be included in a capsule to be dug up in one hundred years.

