

LCS Summer Reading List for Students Entering Fourth Grade

Required Reading and Project	<u><i>Indian in the Cupboard</i></u> by Lynne Reid Banks	fantasy, fiction	780	5.9	9	Create a longhouse using mud, clay, bark, etc. OR create a cupboard using small items, replicas, or drawings of things that are important to them. If this book inspires you to do a different project, you are invited to be creative!
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SUGGESTED Reading List

Mrs. Dickman is offering a bonus for students who are able to pass a RC test on any of the following books.

Author	Title	Type of Book	Lexile	Reading Level	RC Points	Description
Smith	<u><i>Chocolate Fever</i></u>	fiction, humor	670	4.8	3	A boy who loves to eat chocolate all day develops a disease called Chocolate Fever and decides to run away.
O'Dell	<u><i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i></u>	fiction	1000	5.5	12	A young Indian girl learns the art of survival when she is stranded on an isolated Pacific island.
Burnett	<u><i>The Secret Garden</i></u>	fiction	970	6.8	18	When ten-year-old Mary Lennox is sent to live with her mysterious uncle after the death of her parents, little does she realize the changes that will take place within herself. An invalid cousin, a crabby gardener, an animal charmer, and a rusty key to a secret garden all work their magic on the spoiled child from India.
Naylor	<u><i>Shiloh</i></u>	realistic fiction	890	5.7	8	In this Newberry Medal-winning story, eleven-year-old Mary finds an abused dog while walking near his West Virginia home. Marty decides not to return the dog, which he has named Shiloh, and has to lie to keep his secret.
Machlachlan	<u><i>Sarah, Plain and Tall</i></u>	historical fiction	560	4.2	3	When their father invites a mail-order bride to come live with them in their prairie home, Caleb and Anna are captivated by their new mother and hope that she will stay.
Danziger	<u><i>Everyone Else's Parents Said Yes</i></u>	realistic fiction	790	5.3	5	Matthew cannot resist the temptation to play practical jokes on his older sister and all the girls in his class at school, so by the time of the big party for his eleventh birthday they have all declared war on him.
Various Authors	<u><i>My America</i></u> (series)	historical fiction	320-640	3.1-3.2	4 to 5	These fiction stories are written in a diary format and depict everyday children living during various times in American history.
Blume	<u><i>Fudge</i></u> (series)	fiction, humor	450-500	3.6-4.5	5 to 10	Twelve-year-old Peter thinks his money-loving brother, Fudge, is a pain.
Peretti	<u><i>Cooper Kids Adventure Series</i></u>	CHRISTIAN adventure series	730-860	5.5-6.4	7 to 10	This is an Indiana Jones style adventure series that build sound values in children while keeping them glued to their seats.
Finley and Cravin	<u><i>A Life of Faith</i></u> and alof.com	CHRISTIAN history series and website fun		4th grade on up	Not in RC yet	What if, in the adventure of your life, you could have a best friend from another time! Someone special to share your journey of faith. Someone who understands the timeless issues that all girls face. Step inside and meet the heroines who will inspire and encourage you, ignite your imagination, and, most importantly, help you live a life of faith.
Williams	<u><i>The Velveteen Rabbit</i></u>	fiction	820	4.2	2	A toy rabbit learns that a child's love can make him real.
Oliver and Winkler	<u><i>Day of the Iguana</i></u>	fiction, humor	670	3.5	7	The Hank Zipzer series is about the high-spirited adventures of a boy with learning differences. It is inspired by the true life experiences of Henry Winkler.

If you have questions regarding this list, please email Lisa Webel at jwdolphins@yahoo.com.