

2026 Required Summer Reading | ENTERING K3, K4 and K5

Summer is a great time to relax, explore new adventures through books, and continue growing as a reader! Reading helps strengthen fluency, build vocabulary, spark imagination, expand knowledge, and maintain strong comprehension skills. To help prevent the “summer slide” that can happen during long breaks from school, students are required to complete a summer reading assignment prepared by their grade level (see below).

We have also included several reading resources and programs, many offering fun prizes and incentives to encourage students to keep reading all summer long!

- Sign up for your local library summer reading program:
 - The City of Copperas Cove Library summer reading program kicks off on Tues, May 26. Unearth a Story and earn prizes: <https://copperascove-tx.whofi.com/calendar/event/1318791>
 - The City of Harker Heights summer library program kicks off May 27. Unearth a Story: <https://harkerheights.readsquared.com/>
 - The Killeen Public Library summer reading program with prizes when completed. Check it out here: <https://www.killeentexas.gov/171/Libraries>
- American Library Association summer reading lists: <https://www.ala.org/news/2026/04/alsc-releases-2026-summer-reading-lists>
- MWR Library Summer Reading program. Sign up and check it out at Casey Memorial Library at Fort Hood. <https://www.armymwr.com/programs-and-services/libraries/summer-reading-program>
- Pizza Hut Camp Book It! Meet your monthly reading goals and earn a free, one-topping personal pan pizza. <https://www.bookitprogram.com/book-it-for-parents>
- RIF (Reading is Fundamental): Summer reading program: <https://www.rif.org/literacy-central/summer>
- The Second Lady of the United States Summer reading challenge: Download the log. Read 12 books, earn a personalized certificate, an America 250th anniversary-themed bookmark, and a special link to receive a prize. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/read/>

Students should read (or have read to them 30 age appropriate books, 3 per week). Those students who complete the assignment will earn a prize. Books read should be documented on the following table. To earn the prize, this completed form is due on the first day of school (13 Aug 2026).

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