

Grade 6 Summer Reading Program (Summer 2014)

At CAJ, we want to encourage reading for pleasure, and we want everyone to discover the benefits of reading. We want you to become better readers, develop your reading comprehension, keep your minds active, learn about new places and time periods, and enrich your vocabulary. Please look over this description of the Grade 6 Summer Reading Program and plan which books you would like to read this summer!

Bible Class Requirement

- Read ***The Magician's Nephew*** by **C.S. Lewis**. (We will loan you a copy of this novel in June to keep over the summer, which you must bring back in good condition in the fall.)
- Submit a written response by email to summer.reading6@caj.or.jp that includes:
 - One paragraph summarizing the **plot** of the novel
 - A second paragraph explaining a **theme** or **Biblical connection** you find in the novel
- As we will be using *The Magician's Nephew* in Bible class this fall, read it carefully to make sure you understand it well. It might be a good idea to save it to read nearer the end of summer vacation than the beginning.

Social Studies Class Requirement

- Read your choice of **one** book from the [Grade 6 Social Studies Booklist](#)
- Answer some questions about the book you read. You can find the question form using this [link](#). (*Your answers will be displayed on the "Summer Reading Log" spreadsheet for your social studies teacher and classmates to read*).

Bible and Science Class Requirement

- Read your choice of **one** book from the [Grade 6 Bible and Science Booklist](#)
- Fill in a book cover with the following information:
 - **Side one:** Your name, title of book, name of author, and illustration
 - **Side two:** Page count and 2-3 sentences summarizing what you learned from the book
- Bring the book cover on the first day of school; book covers will be displayed on a bulletin board, so everyone can get good ideas for reading more books after the summer is over

Whole Class Goal

- Our goal for Grade 6 is for the class to read a combined total of **200** books over the summer.
- You will help the class reach its goal by reading the **three required** books explained above **and as many other books of your choice as you can!**
- To keep track of our progress towards our goal, each time you finish reading a book, please add your name, title of book, author and page count to the ["Summer Reading Class Log"](#)

Deadline

The deadline for the three requirements and the class goal of 200 books is **August 26th** (the first day of school). You need to meet this deadline in order for the class to be able to participate in the reward at the beginning of the school year!

Grade 6 Summer Reading FAQs

1. How many books must I read?

You need to read a minimum of **three** books:

- *The Magician's Nephew* by C.S. Lewis
- One book from the Grade 6 Social Studies Booklist
- One book from the Grade 6 Bible and Science Booklist

2. Should I only read three books this summer?

NO! Together as a whole class, our goal is to read **200 books** (or more!) over the summer. If everyone only reads the required minimum of three books we won't reach our goal! What happens if we do reach the goal? You'll get a reward for being diligent readers!

3. Are books from the Grade 6 Booklists the only ones that will count towards the class goal of 200 books?

NO! Any book (other than picture books) can be counted towards the goal, including any book on the Grade 6 Bible, Science and Social Studies Booklists. You may also read from the Grade 6 GOR Book List if you'd like.

4. What if I lose my booklists or instructions?

You can find the booklists and these instructions in the following places:

- CAJ Library website
- Your GoogleDrive "Summer Reading" folder or "Shared with me" folder

5. Where can I find the books that I need to read?

You will receive a copy of *The Magician's Nephew* from CAJ in June (or during the summer, for new students). This book will be checked out to you, so please take good care of it and return it in September.

All other books on the Grade 6 Booklists may be purchased through Amazon.com, are available at many bookstores and libraries in North America, or may be borrowed from the CAJ Library. Please note that the **library will be open on June 16, 23, and 30** for you to borrow and/or return books.

Read this paragraph IF you receive EAL support:

Please understand that the three books are required reading for ALL students, including you. Students who receive EAL support will soon receive an email from Ms. Lewis about the EAL Summer Reading Log. The time you spend reading the three books for your Grade 6 Summer Reading Program can be written down on this form to contribute to your EAL summer reading requirements. (Depending on the length of the books you choose, you may need to read additional books to fulfill the EAL Summer Reading Log requirements. Check the information in the email you receive from Ms. Lewis for specific details.)

GRADE 6 SOCIAL STUDIES BOOKLIST

FERTILE CRESCENT / MIDDLE EAST

- Ellis, Deborah *Three Wishes: Palestinian and Israeli Children Speak* (NF) [M 956.04 ELL](#)
Frank, Mitch *Understanding the Holy Land* (NF) [M 956.9405 FRA](#)
Ingpen, Robert *Folktales and Fables of the Middle East & Africa* (F) [J 398.2 ING](#)

EGYPT

- Carter, Dorothy S. *His Majesty, Queen Hatshepsut* (F) [M F CAR](#)
Macaulay, David *Pyramid* (NF) [M 722 MAC](#)
Napoli, Donna J. *Treasury of Egyptian Mythology* (F) [M 398.2 NAP](#)
Prior, Natalie J. *Encyclopedia of Preserved People* (NF) [M 393.3 PRI](#)
Riordan, Rick "Kane Chronicles" series (*Red Pyramid, Throne of Fire, etc*) (F) [M F RIO](#)
Tanaka, Shelley *Mummies: The Newest, Coolest & Creepiest...* (NF) [M 393 TAN](#)

AFRICA

- Dalton, David *Living in a Refugee Camp* (NF) [M 305.23 DAL](#)
Dau, John Bul *Lost Boy, Lost Girl: Escaping Civil War in Sudan* (NF) *
Denenberg, Barry *Nelson Mandela: No Easy Walk to Freedom* (NF) [J B MAN](#)
Ellis, Deborah *Our Stories, Our Songs: African Children Talk about AIDS* (NF) [M 362.196 ELL](#)
Farmer, Nancy *Girl Named Disaster* (F) [M F FAR](#)
Gutwein, Austin *Take Your Best Shot* (NF) [M F GUT](#)
Howard, Helen *Living with AIDS* (NF) [M 362.196 HOW](#)
Lekuton, Joseph *Facing the Lion: Growing up Maasai on the African Savanna* (NF) [M B LEK](#)
Naidoo, Beverly *Burn My Heart* (F) [M F NAI](#)
Otfinoski, Steven *Nelson Mandela: The Fight Against Apartheid* (NF) [M B MAN](#)
Park, Linda Sue *A Long Walk to Water* (F) [M F PAR](#)

GREECE

- Downing, David *Democracy* (NF) [M 321.8 DOW](#)
 Communism (NF) [M 335.43 DOW](#)
D'Aulaire, Ingri *D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths* (F) [M 292 DAU](#)
Osborne, Mary Pope *Favorite Greek Myths* (F) [J 292 OSB](#)
Riordan, Rick "Percy Jackson and the Olympians" series (*Sea of Monsters, etc*) (F) [M F RIO](#)
 "Heroes of Olympus" series (*Lost Hero, etc*) (F) [M F RIO](#)

ANCIENT ROME

Banks, Lynne Reid	<i>Tiger, Tiger</i> (F) M F BAN
Caselli, Giovanni	<i>The Everyday Life of a Roman Soldier</i> (NF) M 355 CAS
Deem, James M.	<i>Bodies from the Ash: Life and Death in Ancient Pompeii</i> (NF) M 937 DEE
Sutcliff, Rosemary	<i>Eagle of the Ninth</i> (F) M F SUT <i>Silver Branch</i> (F) M F SUT

MEDIEVAL EUROPE

Booth, Edwin, P.	<i>Martin Luther: The Great Reformer</i> (NF) M B LUT
Cushman, Karen	<i>Catherine, Called Birdy</i> M F CUS <i>Matilda Bone</i> (F) M F CUS <i>Midwife's Apprentice</i> (F) M F CUS
deAngeli, Marguerite	<i>Door in the Wall</i> (F) M F DEA
Macaulay, David	<i>Castle</i> (NF) M 623 MAC <i>Cathedral</i> (NF) M 726 MAC
Morpurgo, Michael	<i>Outlaw: The Story of Robin Hood</i> (F) M F MOR
Osborne, Mary Pope	<i>Favorite Medieval Tales</i> (F) J 398.2 OSB
Platt, Richard	<i>Castle Diary: The Journal of Tobias Burgess, Page</i> (F) J F PLA
Steele, Philip	<i>The Medieval World</i> (NF) J 940.1 STE
Tingle, Rebecca	<i>Edge of the Sword</i> (F) M F TIN <i>Far Traveller</i> (F) M F TIN
Winthrop, Elizabeth	<i>Castle in the Attic</i> by (F) M F WIN

GENERAL SOCIAL STUDIES

D'Aulaire, Ingrid	<i>D'Aulaire's Norse Gods and Giants</i> (F) M F DAU
Ross, Stewart	<i>The United Nations</i> by Stewart Ross (NF) M 341.2 ROS
Jeunesse, Gallimard	<i>The History of Making Books</i> (NF) J 686 JEU

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(NF) Indicates a **Non-Fiction** book

(F) Indicates a **Fiction** book

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GRADE 6 BIBLE & SCIENCE BOOKLIST

SCIENCE

Bond, Peter	<i>Guide to Space</i> M 520 BON
Browning, Bel	<i>Animal Welfare</i> M 364.1 BOR
Cole, Michael D.	<i>Eye on the Universe: The Incredible Hubble Space Telescope</i> M 522 COL
Collins, Michael	<i>Flying to the Moon: An Astronaut's Story</i> M B COL
Dingle, Adrian	<i>How to Make a Universe with 92 Ingredients</i> J 546 DIN
Dowden, Anne O.	<i>The Blossom on the Bough</i> M 582.16 DOW
Fleischer, Paul	<i>Liquids and Gases (Secrets of the Universe Series)</i> M 532 FLE
	<i>Matter and Energy (Secrets of the Universe Series)</i> J 530.11 FLE
	<i>Objects in Motion (Secrets of the Universe Series)</i> J 531 FLE
	<i>Relativity and Quantum Mechanics (Secrets of the Universe Series)</i> J 530.11 FLE
	<i>Waves (Secrets of the Universe Series)</i> J 539.2 FLE
Green, Dan	<i>Extreme Physics: Take a Quantum Leap to the Edge of Science</i> M 530 GRE
Hoose, Philip	<i>Moonbird</i> M 598.072 HOO
Krull, Kathleen	<i>Albert Einstein (Giants of Science)</i> M B EIN
	<i>Isaac Newton (Giants of Science)</i> M B NEW
	<i>Lives of the Scientists: Experiments, Explosions</i> M 920 KRU
	<i>Marie Curie (Giants of Science)</i> J B CUR
Malnor, Bruce	<i>Earth Heroes: Champions of the Wilderness</i> M 920 MAL
Markle, Sandra	<i>The Case of the Vanishing Golden Frogs: A Scientific Mystery</i> M 597.8 MAR
Morris, Neil	<i>Do You Know What's In Your Food?</i> M 363.8 MOR
Murphy, Jim	<i>American Plague: True & Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever...</i> M 614.5 MUR
	<i>Invincible Microbe: Tuberculosis and the Never-Ending Search...</i> M 616.9 MUR
Richardson, Gillian	<i>Ten Plants That Shook the World</i> M 581.6 RIC
Richardson, Nan	<i>Wild Babies</i> M 591.3 RIC
Rusch, Elizabeth	<i>The Mighty Mars Rover</i> M 523.43 RUS
Silvey, Anita	<i>The Plant Hunters: True Stories of their Daring Adventures</i> M 580.75 SIL
Stott, Carole	<i>Eyewitness Book: Space Exploration</i> M 629.4 STO
Woodford, Chris	<i>Atoms and Molecules: Investigating the Building Blocks of Matter</i> J 539 WOO

Series on Endangered Animals (18 books, including snakes, cougars, cheetahs, cougars)

BIBLE

Benge, Janet & Geoff	<i>Christian Heroes: Then & Now Series</i> <i>Jacob DeShazer: Forgive Your Enemies</i> M B DES <i>Rachel Saint: A Star in the Jungle</i> M B SAI <i>Elisabeth Elliot: Joyful Surrender</i> M B ELL <i>Cameron Townsend: Good News in Every Language</i> M B TOW <i>David Livingstone: Africa's Trailblazer</i> M B LIV <i>Samuel Zwemer: The Burden of Arabia</i> M B ZWE <i>Wilfred Grenfell: Fisher of Men</i> M B GRE <i>Lillian Trasher: The Greatest Wonder in Egypt</i> M B TRA <i>David Bussau: Facing the World Head-on</i> M B BUS
Frank, Mitch	<i>Understanding the Holy Land</i> M 956.9405 FRA
Gutwein, Austin	<i>Take Your Best Shot</i> M F GUT
Hannula, Richard	<i>Trials and Triumph: Tales from Church History</i> *
Harris, Alex & Brett	<i>Do Hard Things: A Teenage Rebellion Against Low Expectations</i> H 248.8 HAR
Hoth, Iva	<i>The Picture Bible</i> J 220.9 HOT
Kumai, Hidenori	<i>Manga Messiah</i> J 220.9 MAN <i>Manga Metamorphosis</i> J 220.9 MAN
Laurent, Bob	<i>Watchman Nee: Man of Suffering (Heroes of the Faith series)</i> M B NEE
Maddox, Mike	<i>The Graphic Bible</i> J 220.95 GRA
McKissack, Patricia	<i>Let My People Go: Bible Stories Told By a Freeman of Color</i> M F MCK
Morimoto, Toshio	<i>By Grace and Mercy</i> M B MOR
Tyndale House	<i>Bible Kidventures: New Testament</i> *

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