

MACLAY SCHOOL  
Summer Reading  
For Rising Fourth Graders

1. **REQUIRED READ:** Frindle by Andrew Clements

Performance Task: Children will be assigned a performance task during the first two weeks of school. The project will be completed at school. Children should bring the book on the first day of school.

2. **CHOICE BOOK:** Welcome to Fourth Grade where we share books we love! Sharing books inspires others to discover, explore, and adventure through books. Please choose one book from the Choice Book List to read.

Performance Task: After reading your choice book, choose and complete one of the projects listed below. Projects will be shared and displayed during the first week of school. PLEASE BRING YOUR PROJECT TO SCHOOL ON THE SECOND DAY OF SCHOOL. Happy reading and have fun with this project. I can't wait to share our summer reading!

- New Ending – Write a new ending to the story. It should be one page minimum. It may be handwritten or typed.
  - New Chapter – Write a new chapter for the book. It should be one page minimum. It may be handwritten or typed.
  - Comic Strip – Create a comic strip with at least six scenes or sections about favorite parts of the book. Must include colored illustrations.
- \*See the attached rubric and self-assessment for completion guidelines.

## CHOICE BOOKS

<p><b>Humor</b>  <i>Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing</i> by Judy Blume (or any of her books)  <i>I Funny</i> by Robert Patterson  <i>War with Grandpa</i> by Robert Kimmel Smith  <i>Pie</i> by Sarah Weeks  <i>Dog Man</i> by Dav Pilkey (graphic novel)</p>	<p><b>Mystery</b>  <i>From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</i> by E.L. Konigsburg  <i>Bunnicula</i> by Deborah Howe  <i>The Lemonade War</i> by Jacqueline Davies</p>
<p><b>Fiction</b>  <i>Freckle Juice</i>, by Judy Blume  <i>Song for a Whale</i> by Lynne Kelly  <i>My Side of the Mountain</i> by Jean Craighead George  <i>The One and Only Bob</i> by Katherine Applegate  <i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i> by Scott O'Dell  <i>Shiloh</i> by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor  <i>The Landry News</i> by Andrew Clements  <i>Gaby, Lost and Found</i> by Angela Cervantes  <i>Athlete vs. Mathlete</i> by W.C. Mack  <i>Jake Drake, Bully Buster</i> by Andrew Clements  <i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i> by Wilson Rawls  <i>Blubber</i> by Judy Blume  <i>Matilda</i> by Roald Dahl  <i>Swindle</i> by Gordon Korman  <i>Fortunately the Milk</i> by Neil Gaiman  <i>Eight Keys</i> by Suzanne LaFleur</p>	<p><b>Fantasy</b>  <i>Charlotte's Web</i> by E.B. White  <i>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</i> by Robert C. O'Brien  <i>Flora &amp; Ulysses</i> by Kate DiCamillo  <i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i> by J.K. Rowling  <i>Stuart Little</i> by E.B. White  <i>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane</i> by Kate DiCamillo  <i>James and the Giant Peach</i> by Roald Dahl  <i>The Tale of Despereaux</i> by Kate DiCamillo  <i>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory</i> by Roald Dahl  <i>The Lightning Thief (Percy Jackson)</i> by Rick Riordan  <i>The Fourteenth Goldfish</i> by Jennifer Holm  <i>Mouse and the Motorcycle</i> by Beverly Cleary  <i>Snow and Rose</i> by Emily Winfield Martin  <i>Whatever After</i> by Sarah Mlynowski</p>
<p><b>Historical Fiction</b>  <i>I Survived</i> series by Lauren Tarshis  <i>Little House in the Big Woods</i> by Laura Ingalls Wilder  <i>Misadventures of Maude March</i> by Audrey Couloubis</p>	<p><b>Non-Fiction</b>  <i>Writing Magic: Creating Stories that Fly</i> by Gail Carson Levine  <i>Favorite Norse Myths</i> by Mary Pope Osborne  <i>One Day in the Tropical Rain Forest</i> by Jean Craighead George</p>
<p><b>Sports</b>  <i>The Comeback Kid</i> series by Mike Lupcia  <i>Honus and Me</i> by Dan Gutman  Any Sports Books by Matt Christopher</p>	

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Summer Reading  
Rubric and Self-Assessment  
(Turn in with CHOICE Book Project)

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Title of Book

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Author

RUBRIC

Characters Included	
Setting Included	
Plot Included	
Neat, Quality Work	
Written Summary Included	
Turned in On Time	

# SELF ASSESSMENT

	GREAT	GOOD	OKAY	POOR
Evaluate yourself on the quality of your project				
Evaluate yourself on your understanding of the text (your book)				
Give an overall evaluation of the text (your book)				



The Marian Lawton Langford Library at Maclay has nearly all your summer reading books available to you right now!



### Getting the App

Download the free Sora app for your phone or tablet ([Apple](#) / [Google Play](#)), set your school to Maclay, then use the login for your grade (listed below). From there you can find most, if not all, of your summer reading choices in eBook or audiobook format. You can also access this on a computer browser by going to <https://soraapp.com>.



### Login

Use your grade/class **special login** to access the ebooks. All books assigned to these accounts will remain until Aug. 14

- **Lower School:**

Grade	Login
1st	first
2nd	second
3rd	third
4th	fourth
5th	fifth

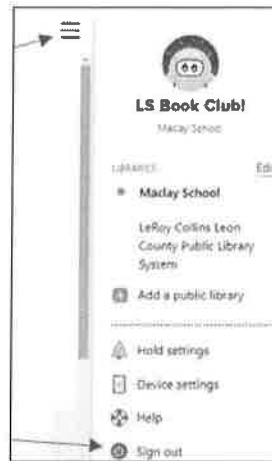
- **Middle School:**

Grade	Login
6th	sixth
7th	seventh
8th	eighth

- **Upper School: (NOT YET ACTIVATED - COMING SOON)**

Grade/Class	Login
9th	freshmen
10th	sophomores
11th & AP Lang.	juniors
12th & AP Lit.	seniors

If you want to read something not included on your summer reading list you can switch to your **personal account**. To switch accounts, tap the three bars at the top right of your screen and then select "sign out." You can then log in again with your **5-digit school ID number**. You can switch between the accounts at any time. If you don't know your number or are having any difficulty logging in, please contact me: [dlow@maclay.org](mailto:dlow@maclay.org).



## eBook Features

Ebooks have lots of cool features, like adjustable font, text size, and backgrounds, and the ability to highlight and make notes on selected passages. There is also a built-in dictionary, so if you don't know a word, just tap and hold on it and a definition option will appear. Also, this collection can be accessed anywhere that you have a WiFi or data connection, 24/7.



## Happy Reading!

I hope that you will take advantage of our awesome online collection for summer reading and beyond!

Have a great summer!

-Mr. Low

