

Summer Reading Together

Contemporary Fiction

Becoming Naomi Leon Ryan
Catching a Storyfish Harrington
Cloudy Day, Sunny Day Crews
Daniel's Pet / Daniel y su mascota Ada
Dumpling Days Lin
Finding the Music / En pos de la música Torres
Galaxy Games: The Challengers Fishbone
George Gino
Ghost / Patina / Sunny Reynolds
Hurricane Child Callender
Inside Out and Back Again Lai
Lies and Other Tall Tales Hurston
Lights Out! Medearis
Olinguito, de la A al Z! Descubriendo el bosque nublado / Olinguito, from A to Z! Unveiling the Cloud Forest. Delacore
Rata pata scata fata Gershtator
Rickshaw Girl Perkins
Ruby Lu (series) Look
Stella Diaz Has Something to Say Dominguez
The Blossoming Universe of Violet Diamond Woods
The Magician's Elephant DiCamillo
Tia Lola (series) Alvarez
Tofu Quilt Yueng
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon Grace Lin
Yasmin: the Painter Faruqi



Folktales, Fairy Tales, & Legends

Genies, Meanies, and Magic Rings:
Three Tales from the Arabian Nights Mitchell
Glass Slipper, Gold Sandal:
A Worldwide Cinderella Fleishman
More Bones: Scary Stories from Around the World Olson
Nelson Mandela's Favorite African Folktales Mandela
Tales Our Abuelas Told:
A Hispanic Folktale Collection Campoy and Ada
The Jumbies Baptiste
The Magical Monkey King: Mischief in Heaven Jiang

Science Fiction & Fantasy

City Trilogy Yep
How to Train Your Dragon (series) Cowell
Notebook of Doom (series) Cummings
Secrets of Droon (Series) Abbott
Spiderwick Chronicles (series) Black & DiTerlizzi
The Land of Stories (series) Colfer
The True Meaning of Smekday Rex
The Warriors (series) Hunter
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon Lin

Biography & Autobiography

A Girl Named Misty: The True Story of Misty Copeland .. Lyons
Balloons Over Broadway: The True Story of the Puppeteer of Macy's Parade Sweet
Barnum's Bones: How Barnum Brown Discovered the Most Famous Dinosaur in the World Fern
Drawing From Memory Say
Esquivel!: Space-Age Sound Artist Wood
Firebird: Ballerina Misty Copeland Shows A Young Girl How to Dance Like the Firebird Copeland
Growing Up Pedro Tavares
Jasmine Toguchi: Mochi Queen Florence
Josephine: The Dazzling Life of Josephine Baker Powell
Sonia Sotomayor: A Judge Grows in the Bronx Winter
Temple Grandin: How the Girl who Loved Cows Embraced Autism and Changed the World Montgomery
When the Beat Was Born:
DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop Hill

Historical Fiction

Ahimsa Kelkar
Breaking Stalin's Nose Yelchin
Number the Stars Lowry
One Crazy Summer Williams-Garcia
Pax Pennypacker
Riding Freedom Ryan
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes Coerr
Talking Leaves Bruchac
The Mighty Miss Malone Curtis

Informational Books

28 Days: Moments in Black History that Changed the World Smith
A Child's Introduction to African American History Asim
Howard Thurman's Great Hope Issa
Jazz Myers
Meltrek: Exploring Ancient Africa Dr. Ma'at
Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales (series) Hale
Neighborhood Sharks: Hunting With the Great Whites of California's Farallon Islands Roy
Separate is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez & Her Family's Fight For Integration Tonatiuh
Volcano Rising Rusch
We are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball Nelson
What Was / What Is (series) various

Poetry Books

Animal Poems of the Iguazú/Animalario del Iguazú Alarcón
Bravo: Poems about Amazing Hispanics Engle
Can I Touch Your Hair?: Poems of Race, Mistakes, and Friendship Latham
Echo Echo: Reverso Poems about Greek Myths Singer
Flutter & Hum: Animal Poems/Aleteo y Zumbido: Poemas de Animales Paschkis
Hip Hop Speaks to Children: A Celebration of Poetry with a Beat Giovanni
Let's Play! Poems about Sports and Games From Around the World Chatterjee & D'Arcy
Love to Langston Medina
My First Book of Korean Words Amen IV & Park
Poems In The Attic Grimes
The Great Migration: Journey to the North Greenfield

Summer Reading Together engages students in their rising grade to share the experience of reading and talking about the same book over the summer and when school begins. Boston school communities are welcome to opt into this one book/one grade summer reading program.

The goal of this initiative is to prevent summer reading loss, encourage pleasure reading, and foster a culture of readers. It is our focus to motivate, engage, and cultivate a culture of readers.

We encourage you to choose a second text to read from the reading list on the other side of this pamphlet. You may be asked to engage in a discussion about this text as well.

Assignment:

This summer, read your text for about 20 minutes per session. As you read, consider the following:

Fiction

1. What do you think the author wants us to know? What is the author's message?
2. How did the author create humor; suspense; sadness, and so on? (provide examples)
3. Is the language in the text inviting and engaging? (provide examples)
4. How does the writing in this text compare with other fiction texts you read this year?

Non-Fiction

1. What do you think the author wants us to know? What is the author's message?
2. Did the author explain things clearly? (provide examples)
3. How does the authors use of language to explain experiences? (provide examples)
4. How does this text compare with other nonfiction text (articles) you read this year?

Remember to highlight, underline, or write in the margins of the text. Share with someone in your home what you found interesting or confusing, and discuss why. In September, bring your book to school. Be prepared to share your thoughts about the text you read this summer.

Champion of Reading

Do you have what it takes to be a Champion of Reading? How many activities can you complete before summer is over?

Check in every week from July 1 to August 26 with your librarian to show them your progress and to receive a prize. One prize per participant, per week.

Finish all the activities and you will be entered in a raffle to win a grand prize. Visit your local branch to participate in the grand raffle. One entry per participant.

This program is for children and teens from birth to 17. Go to www.bpl.org/summer to print an activity sheet and for more information!

Boston Public Library
2019 Summer Reading
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Boston Public Library's 2019 summer program features books and activities about all kinds of sports enjoyed by all kinds of people. For more information, contact or visit any BPL location.

Allston:	300 N. Harvard St.....	617-787-6313
Brighton:	40 Academy Hill Rd.....	617-782-6032
	419 Faneuil St.....	617-782-6705
Charlestown:	179 Main St	617-242-1248
Copley Square:	700 Boylston St.....	617-536-5400
Dorchester:	690 Adams St	617-436-6900
	500 Columbia Rd	617-265-0139
	1520 Dorchester Ave.....	617-436-2155
	41 Geneva Ave.....	617-427-3337
	27 Richmond St	617-298-7841
	690 Washington St	617-436-8214
East Boston:	365 Bremen St.....	617-569-0271
Hyde Park:	35 Harvard Ave	617-361-2524
Jamaica Plain:	433 Centre St	617-522-1960
Mattapan:	1350 Blue Hill Ave.....	617-298-9218
North End:	25 Parmenter St.....	617-227-8135
Roslindale:	4246 Washington St	617-323-2343
Roxbury:	2044 Columbus Ave	617-445-4340
South Boston:	646 East Broadway	617-268-0180
South End:	685 Tremont St	617-536-8241
West End:	151 Cambridge St	617-523-3957
West Roxbury:	1961 Centre St	617-325-3147

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2019
Summer Book List
Grades 3-5

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The summer months are a wonderful time to explore the world of books and reading—and the staff of the Boston Public Schools and Boston Public Library look forward to helping you plan a reading program to last the whole summer.

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This Summer Book List will help you choose high-quality literature geared to the interests of high school students. All the books on the list are available at your neighborhood library. Your local librarian can suggest additional titles.

The Boston Public Schools is working to ensure high standards and high achievement for every student in every classroom, and literacy is a priority at all grade levels. We expect our students to work hard at reading and writing, and to keep reading year-round, and we need the support and encouragement of families to help us reach the goal of every student becoming an excellent reader.

Happy reading!

Sincerely,

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