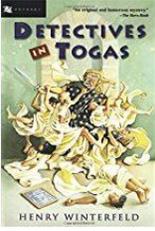
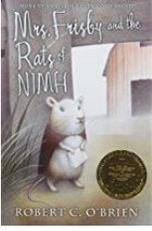
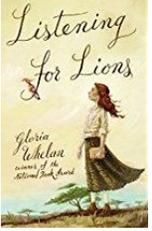
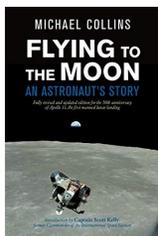


## 5th & 6th Grade Summer Reading 2018

### Summer Reading Options for Fifth Graders

 <p>DETECTIVES IN TOGAS HENRY WINTERFELD</p>	<p><b><i>Detectives in Togas</i></b> by Henry Winterfeld In these two delightful history-mysteries, seven boys in Ancient Rome solve strange crimes . . . thanks to some help from their cranky teacher, a little bit of logic, and a lot of amusing misadventure. (Amazon)</p>
 <p>THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA THE HORSE AND HIS BOY C.S. LEWIS</p>	<p><b><i>The Horse and His Boy</i></b> by C.S. Lewis The Horse and his Boy is a stirring and dramatic fantasy story that finds a young boy named Shasta on the run from his homeland with the talking horse, Bree. When the pair discover a deadly plot by the Calormen people to conquer the land of Narnia, the race is on to warn the inhabitants of the impending danger and to rescue them all from certain death. (Goodreads)</p>
 <p>WHERE THE RED FERN GROWS WILSON RAWLS</p>	<p><b><i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i></b> by Wilson Rawls Billy has long dreamt of owning not one, but two dogs. So when he's finally able to save up enough money for two pups to call his own he's ecstatic. It's true that times are tough, but together they'll roam the hills of the Ozarks. Soon Billy and his hounds become the finest hunting team in the valley. But tragedy awaits these determined hunters, and Billy learns that hope can grow out of despair. (Amazon)</p>
 <p>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH ROBERT C. O'BRIEN</p>	<p><b><i>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</i></b> by Robert O'Brien Mrs. Frisby, a widowed mouse with four small children, is faced with a terrible problem. She must move her family to their summer quarters immediately, or face almost certain death. But her youngest son, Timothy, lies ill with pneumonia and must not be moved. Fortunately, she encounters the rats of NIMH, an extraordinary breed of highly intelligent creatures, who come up with a brilliant solution to her dilemma. (Amazon)</p>
 <p>Listening for Lions Gloria Whelan winner of the National Book Award</p>	<p><b><i>Listening for Lions</i></b> by Gloria Whelan Africa is the only home Rachel Sheridan has ever known. But when influenza strikes down her missionary parents, she is left vulnerable prey to her family's wicked neighbors. Surrounded by greed and lies, Rachel is entangled in a criminal scheme and sent to England, where she is forced into a life of deception. Like the lion, she must be patient and strong, awaiting the moment when she can take control of her own fate—and find her way home again at last. (Goodreads)</p>

## Summer Reading Options for Sixth Graders



Commemorate this year's 50th anniversary of man's first landing on the moon!

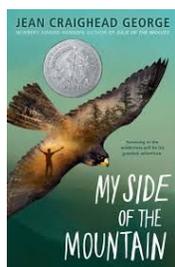
In *Flying to the Moon: An Astronaut's Story*, Michael Collins tells about his life as a pilot and astronaut including his being on the Apollo 11 mission--the first manned, lunar landing.



### ***The Watsons go to Birmingham***

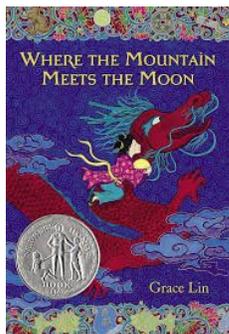
The Newbery Honor-winning American classic, *The Watsons Go to Birmingham--1963*, celebrates 20 years with this anniversary edition featuring a special letter from Christopher Paul Curtis and an introduction by noted educator Dr. Pauletta Bracy.

Enter the hilarious world of ten-year-old Kenny and his family, the Weird Watsons of Flint, Michigan. There's Momma, Dad, little sister Joetta, and brother Byron, who's thirteen and an "official juvenile delinquent." When Momma and Dad decide it's time for a visit to Grandma, Dad comes home with the amazing Ultra-Glide, and the Watsons set out on a trip like no other. They're heading South to Birmingham, Alabama, toward one of the darkest moments in America's history. (Goodreads)



### ***My Side of the Mountain*** by Jean Craighead George

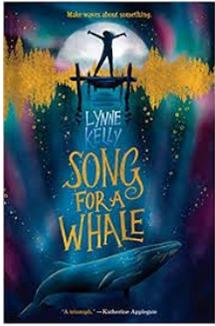
"Sam Gribley is terribly unhappy living in New York City with his family, so he runs away to the Catskill Mountains to live in the woods—all by himself. With only a penknife, a ball of cord, forty dollars, and some flint and steel, he intends to survive on his own. Sam learns about courage, danger, and independence during his year in the wilderness, a year that changes his life forever." (Amazon)



### ***Where the Mountain Meets the Moon***

"In the valley of Fruitless Mountain, a young girl named Minli spends her days working hard in the fields and her nights listening to her father spin fantastic tales about the Jade Dragon and the Old Man of the Moon. Minli's mother, tired of their poor life, chides him for filling her head with nonsense. But Minli believes these enchanting stories and embarks on an extraordinary journey to find the Old Man of the Moon and ask him how her family can change their fortune. She encounters an assorted cast of characters and magical creatures along the way, including a dragon who accompanies her on her quest."

(from the book jacket)



### ***Song for a Whale***

“From fixing the class computer to repairing old radios, twelve-year-old Iris is a tech genius. But she's the only deaf person in her school, so people often treat her like she's not very smart. If you've ever felt like no one was listening to you, then you know how hard that can be.

When she learns about Blue 55, a real whale who is unable to speak to other whales, Iris understands how he must feel. Then she has an idea: she should invent a way to "sing" to him! But he's three thousand miles away. How will she play her song for him?

Full of heart and poignancy, this affecting story by sign language interpreter Lynne Kelly shows how a little determination can make big waves.” (From Amazon)

### **Please read through all of these directions! Do steps 1, 2, and 3.**

Please contact Mrs. Rhoades, Mrs. Noble, or Mrs. Woodman if you have any questions.

Happy reading!

- 1) With a parent's help, choose and locate one of the book options (at the library, Amazon, thriftbooks, The Homeschool Room, Hoopla, etc).
- 2) After reading your selection, complete one of these assignments. The grading guide below the options will be used for whichever option you choose. Read and follow it as you work! (All assignments should be done in best cursive or typed in Times New Roman, 12 point font).
  - Summarize the book in poem form with rhyme (minimum 15 lines).
  - Write a two-minute radio advertisement persuading the public to buy and read this book.
  - Design a timeline for events in the book. Include at least 12 entries and pictures for a few of the entries.
  - Create a Top 10 List of interesting things you learned (written in complete sentences).
  - Become a reporter. Write a front-page news story or a news report live from the scene. Using descriptive writing to help the reader feel that he/she is “there.”
  - Draw or paint a picture of your favorite scene from the story. Then write three paragraphs to go along with this picture explaining why this was your favorite part of the story. Use detailed, descriptive writing to tell about the scene.
- 3) Make sure your name is on your project and turn it in to your teacher on the first day of school.

**Grading:**

Writing is accurate and detailed. \_\_\_\_\_ /25  
The work shows the book was read and understood.

Student followed directions. \_\_\_\_\_ /25

Careful proofreading was done. \_\_\_\_\_ /25  
(spelling, punctuation, grammar)

Assignment shows care (creativity, thoughtfulness, neatness). It is "best work" quality. \_\_\_\_\_ /25

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_ /100