



Gulfstream Elementary School
Summer English/Language Arts Requirements
Incoming 1st Graders

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Students entering the 1st grade must complete the following assignments prior to the first day of school, August 19, 2019. These assignments are mandatory and will be the first grades your child earns for the 2019-2020 school year.

1st book **MUST READ:** The Very Impatient Caterpillar by Ross Burach

Additionally, students **must read a second book** from the list below and **complete one of the tasks for that book**. When your child returns, he/she will also be **required to take the correlating Accelerated Reader (AR) tests**.

2nd book: This one is your child's choice! Choose one book from the list below:

1. Do Like a Duck Does by Judy Hindley
2. I Know an Old Teacher by Anne Bowen
3. Nate the Great and the Pillowcase by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
4. Un Poquito Más by Yanitzia Canetti
5. Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type by Doreen Cronin

Reading Tasks:

Choose **one project** from below to complete on your chosen book.

1. Draw a picture of your favorite page. Explain why this is your favorite page in 1-2 sentences.
2. Draw a map of the book's setting. Explain the setting in 2-3 sentences below the picture.
3. Make a picture timeline of all the events in the book.

4. Draw a portrait of the main character and write a one sentence summary to accompany your sketch.
5. Using a shoe box, create a diorama (three dimensional scenes which includes models of people, buildings, plants, and animals) of an important scene in the book.

Note to Parents: These projects can be easily created using lined paper, construction paper, and/or at-home recyclable items. Feel free to be creative!

For your convenience, the PTO will be selling the must read book (a flyer will be sent home).

You can also purchase books at local book stores or online such as Barnes and Noble, Books & Books, and amazon.com.

Summer Literacy Adventure

Florida's students are being challenged to pledge to read as many books as possible throughout the summer break.

Each student can fill out his or her pledge at:

<http://web02.fl DOE.org/SummerLitAdv/SummerLitAdventure.aspx>

Thank you for your support!
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