

## Summer Reading – Grade 5

For the two books you choose to read from the list of optional titles, you must do the following:

- For one book, you must create a Friendly Letter using ReadWriteThink.
- For the other book, you must write a Reading Response Journal using the format below.

It is your choice of which project to do for each of the two books. This is for the selected books only.

These projects are due the first day of school in September.

### Reading Response Journal

For the first entry

Have the VMA heading at the top of the page  
List the title and author of the book

For every entry:

1. Clearly mark each entry with the date.
2. Record which page numbers your entry covers (for example – p. 35-72) Your entries must cover the entire book.
3. Vocabulary: For every entry, find two new-to-you words you consider interesting or descriptive. For each word, write a definition and its part of speech, and write an interesting sentence to demonstrate your understanding of the word (do not copy the sentence the word is in from the book). **Highlight** the word in the sentence.
4. Write a journal entry using one of the Reading Response Journal Prompts listed below. Each entry must use a different Journal Prompt, so pick the one that best applies to the section of the book you are writing about.
5. You must do a **minimum** of four entries for the book. Each entry must be a **minimum** of five sentences.

### Reading Response Journal Prompts

- Describe your feelings about an event or character
- Copy a quote from a character and tell why it is meaningful
- Make a prediction about what will happen next
- Tell how you would react if you were one of the characters in the story
- Write a “Dear Diary” entry as if you were one of the characters in the story
- Write a different ending to the book
- Write a newspaper article about an event in that section of the book
- Write an advertisement to entice someone else to read this book
- Compare an event or a character in this book to another book you have read

**Writing a Friendly Letter – Telling Mrs. Wible about one of the assigned books.**

1. Go to the website: [www.readwritethink.org](http://www.readwritethink.org).
2. In the search box type in friendly letter.
3. Click on letter generator.
4. Click on Get started. Follow the directions to write a friendly letter written to Mrs. Wible.
5. The letter should be written about one of the assigned books. Tell me why you liked or disliked this book. Include at least three (3) examples of ideas or topics from the book. The letter should be eight (8) to ten (10) sentences.
6. Make sure you included all of the parts of a friendly letter.