

Katz Hillel Day School of Boca Raton Fifth Grade English

Summer Reading List, 2023

For your summer reading please pick one book from the list below. Please complete **one activity** from the choice board for your book. Make sure that your work is well-done and neat. Please bring the assignment on the first day of school.

- 1. When the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin (ISBN: 0316038636) Minli's dad loves telling his daughter stories, and one night he tells her the story of the Old Man On The Moon, who can answer any question one asks. Minli decides she needs to find the Old Man On The Moon and ask him how to bring fortune to her home and to her parents. With the help of a talking goldfish, she sets off on an incredible adventure. Along the way she meets all sorts of magical creatures and mysterious characters, including a dragon that joins Minli on her journey.
- 2. <u>From the Mixed–Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</u> by E.L. Koningsburg (ISBN: 0689711816) Claudia, who does not like discomfort, knows that she could never pull off the old-fashioned kind of running away. Therefore, when she decides to leave home, Claudia does not simply run from somewhere she does not want to be, she goes to a place she really wants to live. So Claudia decides to move to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, and when she does, she finds herself in the middle of some mysterious headlines.
- 3. <u>Anything but Typical</u> by Nora Raleigh Baskin (ISBN: 9781416995005) Jason Blake is an autistic 12-year-old living in a neurotypical world. Most days it's just a matter of time before something goes wrong. But Jason finds a glimmer of understanding when he comes across PhoenixBird, who posts stories to the same online site as he does. Jason can be himself when he writes and he thinks that PhoenixBird her name is Rebecca could be his first real friend. But as desperate as Jason is to meet her, he's terrified that if they do meet, Rebecca will only see his autism and not who Jason really is.
- 4. <u>The Indian in the Cupboard</u> by Lynne Reid Banks (ISBN: 9780375847530) When Omri's big brother has no birthday present for him, he gives Omri an old wooden medicine cabinet he's found. The cabinet doesn't seem like much of a present to nine-year-old Omri, until he deposits inside it another present he



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receives for his birthday: a miniature plastic Indian. His mother comes up with a key for the cabinet, and the real magic begins. When Omri turns the key once, the Indian, named Little Bear, comes alive; but turn the key a second time and it's an ordinary plastic Indian again.

5. No Summit out of Sight: The True Story of the Youngest Person to Climb the Seven Summits by Jordan Romero, Linda LeBlanc (ISBN: 9781481432764) At the age of thirteen, American teenager Jordan Romero became the youngest person to climb to the summit of Mount Everest. At fifteen, he became the youngest person to reach the summits of the tallest mountains on each of the seven continents. In this energizing memoir for young adults, Jordan, now seventeen, recounts his experience, which started as a spark of an idea at the age of nine and, many years of training and hard work later, turned into a dream come true.

HAPPY READING!



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Summer Reading Choice Board - Pick One!

| Book in a Box Decorate a box to represent the book and fill it with objects that symbolize different aspects of the story. | Book Timeline Use words and pictures to make a timeline of important events from the book. | Comic Strip Create a comic strip of your favorite scene from the book. This can be on paper or done digitally. |
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| Bookmark It Create a bookmark for your story. On one side draw a picture of your favorite part, and the other write some of your favorite quotes. | Main Character Make a 3-D model of the main character, and write an interview with that character. | Compare and Contrast Write three ways the main character is different from you, and three things you may have in common. |
| Book Mobile Create a mobile using the four story elements (setting, character, plot, theme). | Book Collage Create a collage using pictures that represent different parts of the book. | Setting Make and label a detailed map of an important setting from your book. |