

Dominion Academy

Summer Bridge Activities and Reading Lists for K-8

Below are suggested summer activities for each grade level. Dominion Academy strongly recommends that each student keep up on their skills using a summer bridge book (can be found at Loudoun Learning or at the websites listed below). In addition, students should be reading good literature at least 30 minutes per day.

Rising Kindergarteners

General Skills Practice:

Evan Moore Daily Summer Activities for PreK-1, or K-1, depending on your child

<http://www.evan-moor.com/Series.aspx?CurriculumID=4&SeriesID=43>

Read Aloud to your child any books from the First Grade Reading List

Rising First Graders

General Skills Practice:

Evan Moore *Daily Summer Activities (for grades 1-2)*, From Loudoun Learning or online at

<http://www.evan-moor.com/Title.aspx?CurriculumID=4&SeriesID=43&TitleID=201&EmcID=200>

Reading Suggestions:

Reading Is Fun Series, Abeka

Any Dr. Seuss Books

A Fly Went By, McClintock

A Big Ball of String, Holland

The Bravest Dog Ever, Standiford

Pete and Pillar, Stoddard

Amelia Bedelia Books

Caps for Sale, Slobodkina

Arthur chapter books, Brown

Annabelle Swift, Kindergartner by Amy Schwartz

Bread and Jam for Frances by Russell Hoban

The Carrot Seed by Ruth Kraus

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin and John Archambault

Chicken Soup with Rice by Maurice Sendak

Each Peach Pear Plum by Janet and Allan Ahlberg

Feast for 10 by Cathryn Falwell

Feathers for Lunch by Lois Ehlert

Freight Train by Donald Crews

The Gingerbread Boy by Paul Galdone

The Great Big Enormous Turnip by Leo Tolstoy

It Begins with an A by Stephanie Calmenson

Mama, Do You Love Me? By Barbara Joose

"Mother Goose"

The Napping House by Audrey Wood

New Shoes for Silvia by Johanna Hurwitz

Owen by Kevin Henkes

Purple, Green, and Yellow by Robert Munsch

Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young by Jack Prelutsky

Red Dancing Shoes by Denise Lewis Patrick

Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins

The Salamander Room by Anne Mazer

Seven Blind Mice by Ed Young

Ten Nine Eight by Molly Bang

The Three Bears by Paul Galdone

Titch by Pat Hutchins

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen

When Jeremiah found Mrs. Ming by Sharon Jennings

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

Yo! Yes! By Chris Raschka

(GREENFIELD) *The Friendly Four*

(PLOURDE) *School Picture Day*

(GREY) *Traction Man Meets Turbo Dog*

(REY) *Curious George Plants a Tree*

(GUEST) "Iris and Walter" series

(RIES) *Aggie and Ben: Three Stories*

(HARRIS) *Mail Harry to the Moon*

(ROOT) *Looking for a Moose*

(HATKOFF) *Winter's Tail*

(ROSENTHAL) *Duck Rabbit*

(HENKES) *Kitten's First Full Moon*

(ROY) "A to Z Mysteries" series

(HEST) *You Can Do It Sam*

(RYLANT) "Henry & Mudge" series

(ADLER) "Bones" series

(HILLS) *Duck and Goose*

(RYLANT) "Mr. Putter & Tabby" series

(DICAMILLO) "Mercy Watson" stories

(HIMMELMAN) *Katie Loves the Kittens*

(SAYRE) One is a Snail, Ten is a Crab

(ARNOLD) Super Fly Guy!

(HOBAN) "Francis" series

(SCHACHNER) "Skippy Jon Jones" series

(ASHER) Too Many Frogs

(HOBBIE) Toot and Puddle

(SCHERTLE) Little Blue Truck

(ASTON) An Egg is Quiet

(HOPKINS) Goldie Socks and the Three Libearians

(SEEGER) "Dog and Bear" stories

(HUTCHINS) A Second is a Hiccup: a Child's Book of Time

(SHANNON) Good Boy Fergus

(BAKER) On the Go With Mr. and Mrs. Green

(JAMES) "Baby Brains" stories

(SHARMAT)"Nate the Great" series

(BEAUMONT) Move Over, Rover!

(JENKINS) I See A Kookaburra

(SLATER) Baby Shoes

(BEST) Sally Jean, the Bicycle Queen

(JOHNSTON) "Alien & Possum" series

(SMEE) Clip-Clop!

(CARLE) any Eric Carle book

(KELLEY) Twelve Terrible Things

(STANLEY) Goldie and the Three Bears

(CATALANOTTO) Ivan the Terrier

(KIRK) The Library Mouse

(STEINBERG) Thesaurus Rex

(CAZET) "Minnie and Moo" series

(KRENSKY) "Lionel" series

(STEVENS) Help Me, Mr. Mutt! Expert

(CHACONAS) Cork and Fuzz stories

(KROSOCZKA) Baghead Answers for Dogs with People Problems

(CLARKE) Gilbert the Great

(LEEDY) Missing Math: A Number Mystery

(RASH) Are you a Horse?

(COREY) "First Graders from Mars" series

(LESTER) "Tacky, the Penguin" series

(SALAS) Stampede!: Poems to Celebrate the

(CRUMMEL) All in One Hour

(LESTER) Hooray for Wodney Wat

(SATTLER) Sylvie

(CUMPIANO) Quinito's Neighborhood

(LEWIS) Hooray for Harry

(STEIN) Pouch!

(CUNNANE) For You are a Kenyan Child

(LOBEL) "Frog & Toad" books

(STEVENS) Epposumondus stories

(CURTIS) Big Words for Little People

(LONG) How I Became a Pirate

(STREN) Hug Me

(ELLIOTT) Hunter's Best Friend at School

(LOVELL) Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon

(TEAGUE) LaRue for Mayor:

(ELYA) Cowboy Jose

(MARSHALL) "George & Martha" series

(THOMAS) Rhyming Dust Bunnies

(Feldmen) Billy & Milly, Short & Silly

(MATSUOKA) Footprints in the Snow

(VAN PATTEN) Farley Found It

(FRANCO) Bees, Snails & Peacock Tails

(WADDELL) It's Quacking Time

(FRASER) "I.Q." series

(MUNSCH) Stephanie's Ponytail

(WILCOX) Waking Beauty

(FREEMAN) "Corduroy" chapter books

(O'NEILL) The Recess Queen

(WILLEMS) The Pigeon wants a Puppy

(FUCILE) Let's Do Nothing

(PALATINI) Sweet Tooth

(WILSON) Sakes Alive a Cattle Drive

(FUGE) Swim Little Wombat Swim

(PAUL) Tortuga in Trouble

(WISEMAN) "Morris & Boris" series

(GORBACHEV) Christopher Counting

(PINKNEY) The Lion & the Mouse Wild Side of School

(GRAHAM) How to Heal a Broken Wing

(PITZER) Not Afraid of Dogs

(ZION) Harry the Dirty Dog

Good Read Alouds:

Aesop's Fables, Watson

The Mitten, Tresselt

Rising Second Graders

General Skills Practice:

The Original Summer Bridge Activities, Rainbow Bridge Publications (Loudoun Learning)

Or at http://summerbridgeactivities.org/summer_bridge_workbook_available_books.html

Excellent Books to Prepare for 2rd Grade History:

The Bears on Hemlock Mountain, Dalgliesh

The Courage of Sarah Noble, Dalgliesh

Meet George Washington, Heilbroner

Meet Thomas Jefferson, Barrett

Pocahontas and the Strangers, Bulla

Sarah, Plain and Tall, MacLachlan

The Skippack School, De Angeli

Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims, Bulla

The Thanksgiving Story, Dalgliesh

Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia, Cousins

Stone Fox, Gardiner

The Giving Tree, Silverstein

Charlotte's Web, White

Why Mosquitoes Buzz In People's Ears: A West African Tale, Aardema

Miss Nelson Is Missing, Allard

Madeline, Bemelmans

The Velveteen Rabbit, Bianco

Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel, Burton

The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Carle

The Mouse and the Motorcycle, Cleary

Woof Finds a Family, Dobson

Corduroy, Freeman

Ox-Cart Man, Hall

Danny and the Dinosaur, Hoff

The Snowy Day, Keats

Frog and Toad Are Friends, Lobel

Make Way for Ducklings, McCloskey

The Mystery of the Carousel Horse, Murphy

The Tale of Peter Rabbit, Potter

Where the Wild Things Are, Sendak

Ira Sleeps Over, Waber

Harry, The Dirty Dog, Zion

Rising Third Graders

General Skills Practice:

Evan Moore Daily Summer Activities

Excellent Books to Prepare for 3rd Grade History:

All of a Kind Family, Taylor

By the Great Horn Spoon, Fleishman

Freedom Train: The Story of Harriet Tubman, Sterling

Gone Away Lake, Enright

Hero Over Here, Kudlinski

In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson, Lord

The Matchlock Gun, Edmonds

Thee, Hannah, De Angeli

The Cabin Faced West, Fritz

Old Yeller, Gipson

The Perilous Road, Steele

Plain Girl, Sorensen.

The Seventeenth Swap, McGraw,

Shades of Gray, Reeder

Sing Down the Moon, O'Dell

The Terrible Wave, Dahlstedt

Thimble Summer, Enright

Turn Homeward, Hannalee, Beatty

The Wright Brothers, Reynolds

Other 3rd Grade Readers:

The Search for Delicious, Babbitt

Fudge-a-Mania, Blume

Tornado, Byars

The Chocolate Touch, Catling

Can't You Make them Behave, King George? Fritz

Muggie Maggie, Cleary

Ramona Quimby, Age 8, Cleary

Pippi Longstocking, Lindgren

The Kid in the Red Jacket, Park

The Dragons Are Singing Tonight, Prelutsky

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever, Robinson

How to Eat Fried Worms, Rockwell

Naya Nuki, Thomasma

The Hundred Dresses, Estes

Lizards, frogs, and Polliwogs: Poems and Paintings, Florian

The Double Life of Pocahontas, Fritz

My Father's Dragon, Gannett

The Just Desserts Club, Hurwitz

Swamp Angel, Isaacs

The School Mouse, King-Smith

Catwings, LeGuin

The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales, Scieszka

The Cricket in Times Square, Selden

Chocolate Fever, Smith

Suart Little, E.B.White

Trumpet of the Swan, E.B. White

A Ghost in the Family, Wright

Cockroach Cooties, Yep

Other Series:

Hank the Cowdog, Erickson

Time Warp Trio, Scieszka

Encyclopedia Brown, Sobol

Third Grade Detectives, Stanley

American Girls-Various Authors

Boxcar Children, Warner

Good for Reading Aloud to Your 3rd Grader:

The Story of Eli Whitney, Latham

The Winter at Valley Forge, Knight

Calico Bush, Field

Carry On, Mr. Bowditch, Latham

Johnny Tremain, Forbes

Hero Tales, Jackson & Jackson

Misty of Chincoteague, Henry

Rising Fourth Graders

General Skills Practice:

Evan Moore Daily Summer Activities

<http://www.evan-moor.com/Series.aspx?CurriculumID=4&SeriesID=43>

Multiplication Flash Cards – 10 minutes per day

Good to read to prepare for 4th grade history:

Shades of Gray, Reeder

Across Five Aprils, Hunt

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry, Taylor

Who's Saying What in Jamestown, Thomas Savage? Fritz

A Lion to Guard Us, Bulla

Other Good 4th Grade Readers:

The Great Turkey Walk, Karr

The Great Wheel, Lawson

Caddie Woodlawn, Brink

Cheaper By the Dozen, Gibreth & Carey

Little Britches, Moody

Miracles on Maple Hill, Sorensen.

Moccasin Trail, McGraw

A Letter to Mrs. Roosevelt, DeYoung

Mr. Popper's Penguins, Atwater

Henry Huggins, Cleary

The Tower Treasure, Dixon

My Side of the Mountain, George

Ben and Me: A New and Astonishing Life of Benjamin Franklin As Written By His Good Mouse, Amos, Lately Discovered, Lawson

Strawberry Girl, Lenski

The Voyages of Doctor DoLittle, Lofting

Snow Treasure, McSwigan

The Borrowers, Norton

The Door in the Dragon's Throat, Peretti

Where the Red Fern Grows, Rawls

Black Beauty, Sewell

Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective, Sobol

Heidi, Spyri

The Boxcar Children, Warner

Stuart Little, White

Little House in the Big Woods, Wilder

Born Free, Adamson

Jo's Boys, Little Men, and Little Women, Alcott

Souder, Armstrong

The Little Princess and The Secret Garden, Burnett

The Incredible Journey, Burnford

Twenty-One Balloons, du Bois

The Wind in the Willows, Grahame

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH, O'Brien

Island of the Blue Dolphins, O'Dell

The Indian in the Cupboard, Banks

Call It Courage, Sperry

Swiss Family Robinson, Wyss

Om-kas-toe, Thomasma

The Hiding Place, ten Boom

Redwall series, Jaques

Ginger Pye, Estes

Rising Fifth Graders

To Keep up on Math/Grammar skills:

The Original Summer Bridge Activities, Rainbow Bridge Publications (Loudoun Learning)

Or at http://summerbridgeactivities.org/summer_bridge_workbook_available_books.html

Multiplication and Division Flashcards – 10 minutes per day

Excellent Books to Prepare for 5th Grade History:

Detectives in Togas, Winterfeld

The Apprentice, Llorente

The Door In the Wall, De Angeli

The Whipping Boy, Fleishman

Adam of the Road, Gray

Archimedes and the Door of Science, Bendick

The Bronze Bow, Speare

Catherine Called Birdy, Cushman

D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths, D'Aulaire

Mary, Bloody Mary, Mayer

The Mystery of the Roman Ransom, Winterfeld

A Proud Taste for Scarlet and Miniver, Konigsburg

Shadow of a Bull, Wojciechowska

Other Readers:

Peter and the Starcatchers, Barry

Around the World in 80 Days, Verne

The Big Wave, Buck

Born in the Year of Courage, Crofford

Caddie Woodlawn, Brink

A Wrinkle In Time, L'Engle

Shiloh, Naylor

Bridge to Terabithia, Paterson

Anne of Green Gables, Montgomery

Crispin, Avi

Call It Courage, Sperry

Henry Reed, Inc, Robertson

The Incredible Journey, Burnford

King of the Wind, Henry

The Kite Fighters, Park

Li Lun, Lad of Courage, Treffinger

Rascal, North

Sadako and the 1000 Paper Cranes, Coerr

Water Sky, George

Gregor the Overlander, Collins

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane, DiCamillo

Summer of the Skunks, Foreman

Dork in Disguise, Gorman

Baseball Card Adventure, Gutman

Ida B: and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster and (Possibly) Save the World, Hannigan

Into the Wild: Hunter

The Capture (Guardians of Ga'Hoole series), Lasky

Main Street series, Martin

My Feet Are Laughing, Norman

A Year Down Yonder, Peck

Toes, Seidler

Bone, Smith

Baseball in April and Other Stories, Soto

Help! Series, Strasser

The Mysterious Benedict Society, Stewart

The Wish Master, Wright

Dear America Series, various authors

Mysteries in Our National Parks series, Skurzynski

The Phantom Tollbooth, Juster

Good for Reading Aloud to your rising 5th Grader:

The Golden Goblet, McGraw

I, Juan de Pareja, De Trevino

Otto of the Silver Hand, Pyle

The Shakespeare Stealer, Blackwood

Eagle of the Ninth, Sutcliff

A Single Shard, Park

Rising 6th Graders

General Skills Practice:

Summer Bridge Activities, Rainbow Bridge Publishers (Loudoun Learning)

Or at http://summerbridgeactivities.org/summer_bridge_workbook_available_books.html

The Arrow Over the Door, Bruchac & Wadling

The Iron Peacock, Clarke

The Sherwood Ring, Pope

Stowaway, Hesse

Bonanza Girl, Beatty

Amos Fortune, Free Man

Rising 7th Graders

The Breadwinner, Ellis

Angel on the Square, Whelan

Anna and the King, Landon

Betsy and the Emperor, Rabin

The Broken Blade, Durbin

Escape from Warsaw, Serrailier

Only the Names Remain: the Cherokees and the Trail of Tears, Bealer

I Am David, Holm

Christy, Marshall

Dragon's Gate, Yep

Farewell to Manzanar, Houston

After the Dancing Days, Rostkowski

Blue Willow, Gates

Bound for Oregon, Leeuwen

Rising 8th Graders

Call of the Wild, London

Dear Mr. Henshaw, Cleary

Catherine, Called Birdie, Cushman

From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E Frankweiler, Konigsburg

A Gathering of Days, Blos

The Green Book, Walsh

Maniac Magee, Spinelli

Nothing to Fear, Koller

Out of the Dust, Hesse

The Red Badge of Courage, Crane

Souder, Armstrong

Stink Alley, Gilson

A Year Down Yonder, Peck