

\$15.00 for school planner, Scholastic Magazines and journal

1 (each) green, red, and blue folders – plain, please

3 packs #2 pencils (Ticonderoga preferred)

Pencil Top Erasers

Four large pink erasers

Six large glue sticks

2 boxes 16-count crayons

1 pack 3x5 note cards with lines

1 red pen

Scissors

3 Boxes of Tissues

3 Paper Towel Rolls

1 pair of headphones

Pencil Box

No pencil sharpeners, markers, or colored pencils

Second Grade Reading

Our text for summer reading is *A Friend for Henry* by Jenn Bailey. Attached is a Choice Board Book Report form. You and your child should complete one activity of your choice after reading the book. This will be turned in on the first day of school.

The Governor's Reading Challenge and a list of suggested books is also attached. While the only required reading is *A Friend for Henry*, reading during the summer months is a wonderful way to keep language skills strong

Second Grade Math

The best work to be done over the summer is to work on committing basic addition and subtraction facts (1-20) to memory. Additionally, I have created a classroom on Kahn Academy for students to practice their math skills. There are also missions that students may work on that is tailored to their own math level. Below are the instructions for logging in and joining our class. I am able to see results from their work over the summer, which will help us focus their learning in the fall.

How to join your teacher's Kahn Academy class:

1. Go to khanacademy.org/join
2. Enter your class code and press "Add." Our class code is: 963AMQX3
3. IF you don't already have an account, press "Create a new account." Enter your child's date of birth, then sign up using Google, your email, or by creating a username.
4. Enter Grade 1 and Math. Now you are ready to start learning.

Have a wonderful summer!

Name _____

Choice Board Book Report

Directions: Choose 1 activity to complete your book report.

Artful Artist

Create a drawing of 3 meaningful scenes from the book. Include a short paragraph about why these scenes were important events in the story.

Music Mania

Create a song or a rap that describes the events in your story. This can be recorded and played for the class, or you can perform it live!

And Action!

Dress up as one of the main characters from the story, and write a speech acting as that character. Record this or perform it live in the classroom telling all about your life, or experiences in the book.

Worlde

Create a Wordle using the most important features of the story. These features should include:

- Main characters names and traits
- Setting
- Problems/solution
- Main events that take place in the story

<http://www.wordle.net/create>

Oh Mama a Diorama!

Create a 3-D diorama of a major story event or scene from the book. Be sure to include the characters and setting details. Then write a short description of your scene and attach it to the back.

Looney Cartoon-y

Create a cartoon using 6 different boxes. Include captions and speech bubbles for what is happening in the cartoon. Remember to choose an important scene from the story! You can use the comic creator below if you want!
<http://www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/comic/>

Story Timeline

Create a timeline of events from the story. Include at least 10 events that happened. Create this timeline using pictures with detailed captions on a long piece of paper, slideshow on the computer, or any other creative idea approved by the teacher.

Facebook Frenzy

Love Facebook? Create a Facebook profile page for a main character in the story. Be sure to include details and evidence from the story to describe him/her best.
<http://www.classtools.net/FB/home-page>

Create -A-Card

Make a playing card for one of the main characters. Use the website below and the planning page to create this card.

http://www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/trading_cards/



THE GOVERNOR'S SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Students and Families:

To learn more, ask your teacher, principal, or school or public librarian,
or contact the Connecticut State Department of Education
at 860-713-6751 or www.ct.gov/sde.

NAME _____

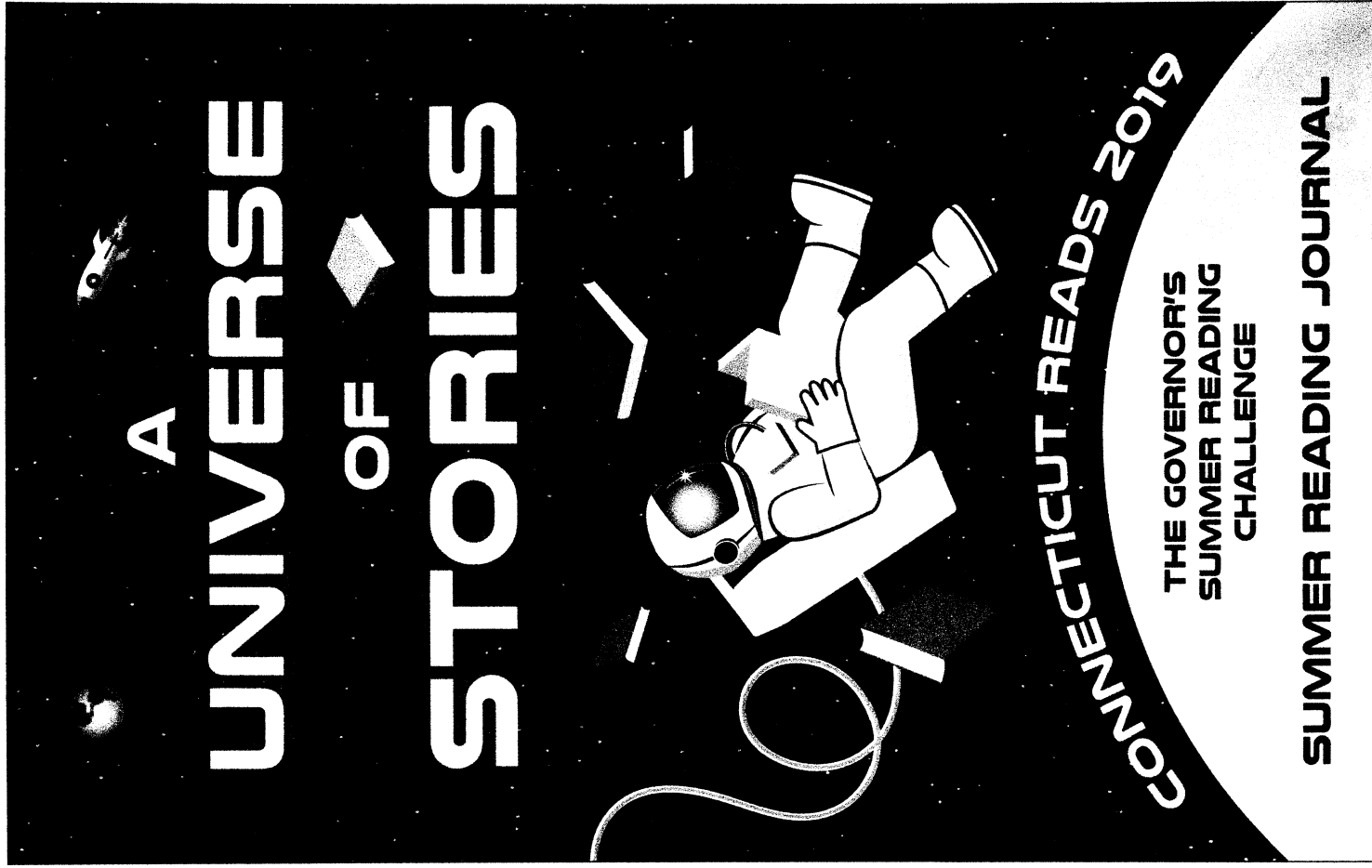
GRADE _____

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MY FAVORITE BOOK WAS _____

I LIKED THIS BOOK BECAUSE _____





A UNIVERSE OF STORIES



The Governor's
Summer Reading
Challenge

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Total Number of Books Read _____



A Universe of Stories! ~ Grades K-2

*Suggested space-themed summer reading
compiled for the Connecticut State Department of Education
by Linda Williams, Connecticut State Library*

PICTURE BOOKS

Life on Mars by Jon Agee

A young astronaut is trying to find life on Mars, but he's made a very big oversight. | ALA | Lexile: 470

Mae Among the Stars by Roda Ahmed

When young Mae Jemison is asked by her teacher what she wants to be when she grows up, African American Mae tells her mostly white classmates that she wants to be an astronaut, a dream that her parents wholeheartedly support. | NSTA | Lexile: 580

The Moon Over Star by Dianna Hutts Aston

On her family's farm in the town of Star, eight-year-old Mae eagerly follows the progress of the 1969 Apollo 11 flight and moon landing and dreams that she might one day be an astronaut, too. | ALA

Tiny Little Rocket by Richard Collingridge

A little rocket takes its yearly trip through outer space. | Lexile: 620

How to Bicycle to the Moon to Plant Sunflowers by Mordicai Gerstein

Too busy with school, soccer, and other activities, a young boy who wants to cheer up the sad, lonely moon presents the reader with a step-by-step plan for becoming the the first human to bicycle to the moon. | Lexile: 690

Kitten's First Full Moon by Kevin Henkes

When Kitten mistakes the full moon for a bowl of milk, she ends up tired, wet, and hungry trying to reach it. | ALA | Lexile: 450

A Big Mooncake for Little Star by Grace Lin

Reimagines the cycles of the moon as a mother bakes a Big Moon Cookie and, despite Mama's request to wait, Little Star begins nibbling at it every night. | ALA

The Moon is Going to Addy's House by Ida Pearle

The moon follows Addy all over the city before finally settling in at her house for bedtime. | ALA | Lexile: 260

Best Frints in the Whole Universe by Antoinette Portis

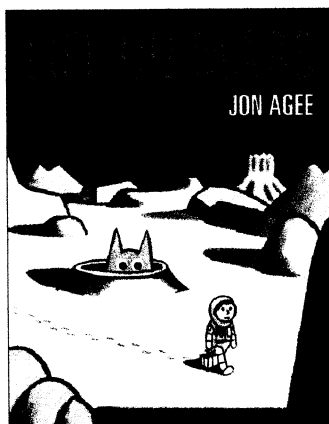
Yelfred and Omek of planet Boborp are best frints, even when they have disagreements. | ALA

Out There by Tom Sullivan

Two children looking up at the night sky wonder what kind of creatures and planets exist in other parts of the universe.

Many Moons by James Thurber

Though many try, only the court jester is able to fulfill Princess Lenore's one wish. | ALA | Lexile: 700



EARLY READERS

Fly Guy and the Alienzz by Tedd Arnold

Buzz is filming a movie about aliens from Outer Space, who capture Fly Guy and Buzz Boy—and our two heroes must outsmart the aliens, with some help from Dragon Dude and Fly Girl. | Lexile: 530

Go, Otto, Go! by David Milgrim

Otto the robot builds a spaceship to take him home. | ALA | Lexile: 80

GRAPHIC NOVELS

CatStronauts #1: Mission Moon by Drew Brockington

Alerted to a global energy crisis, the President consults with the World's Best Scientist, who suggests sending a special group of astronauts to turn the Moon into a solar power plant. | Lexile: 410

The Glorkian Warrior Delivers a Pizza by James Kochalka

No mission is too small for an inept intergalactic hero and his talking backpack. | ILA | Lexile: 430



SUMMER READING LIST*

NONFICTION

The Stuff of Stars by *Marion Dane Bauer*

Describes the void that existed before the Big Bang generated life throughout the galaxy, making it possible for wondrous human children to evolve. | *ALA*

One Giant Leap by *Robert Burleigh*

Commemorating the 40th anniversary of man's first walk on the moon, this book is a tribute that transports readers to the stars, where they will experience the moon landing just as Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin did. | *NCTE, NSTA* | Lexile: 470

A Hundred Billion Trillion Stars by *Seth Fishman*

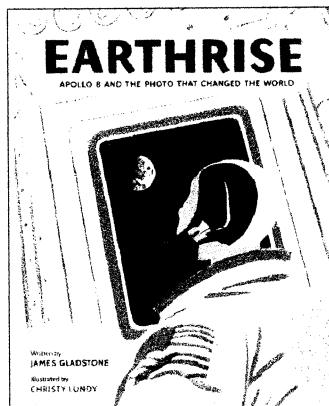
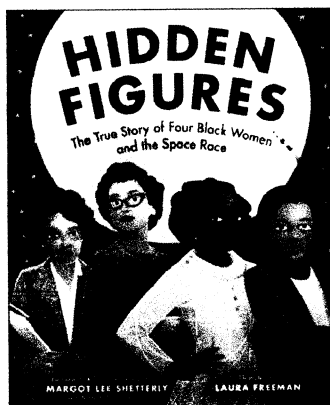
A look at the numbers that surround us, big and small, on earth and in outer space. | *NCTM*

Earthrise: Apollo 8 and the Photo That Changed the World by *James Gladstone*

Describes the story behind the famous "Earthrise" photograph taken from the Apollo 8 mission in 1968, detailing how the photograph had a galvanizing effect on a world of unrest. | Lexile: 590

ABCs From Space by *Adam Voiland*

An alphabet book of photographs of Earth taken from outer space that look like each letter. | *NSTA* | Lexile: NP



Counting on Katherine: How Katherine

Johnson Saved Apollo 13 by *Helaine Becker*

An introduction to the boundary-breaking mathematician, Katherine Johnson, reveals how her love of mathematics started at a young age led her to a job at NASA where she calculated the course of moon landings and helped save the Apollo 13 mission. | *ALA, NCTM, NSTA* | Lexile: 710

My Journey to the Stars by *Scott Kelly*

A picture book memoir about NASA astronaut Scott Kelly takes readers on a journey through his childhood as an average student to his record-breaking year among

the stars. | *NSTA* | Lexile: 680

Star Stuff: Carl Sagan and the Mysteries of the Universe by *Stephanie Roth Sisson*

A biography of Carl Sagan focusing on his childhood and culminating in the Voyager mission and the Golden Record. | *ALA, NCTE, NSTA, Nutmeg 2017* | Lexile: 760

Caroline's Comets: A True Story by *Emily Arnold McCully*

Caroline Herschel was the first woman to discover a comet and the first woman to be paid as a scientist. | *NCSS, NSTA* | Lexile: 800

Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race by *Margot Lee Shetterly*

A picture book adaptation of the story of four mathematicians who were pivotal to the success of America's space program. It describes how they overcame the limitations imposed on black women in the segregated

1960s. | *ALA, NCSS, NSTA* | Lexile: 980

When Sparks Fly: The True Story of Robert Goddard, the Father of US Rocketry by *Kristen Fulton*

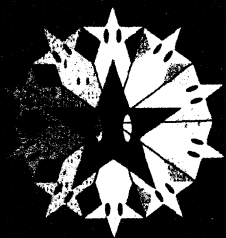
Presents the life and accomplishments of the American scientist, describing his quest to discover the basic principles of rocketry, his successful invention of the first rockets in the 1920s, and his influence on the American space program. | *NSTA* | Lexile: 690

BIOGRAPHY

Margaret and the Moon: How Margaret Hamilton Saved the First Lunar Landing by *Dean Robbins*

An introduction to the woman mathematician who saved the first lunar landing describes her childhood love of numbers that led to her education and contributions at NASA. It explains how her handwritten codes proved essential throughout numerous space missions. | *NCSS, NSTA* | Lexile: 630

*Many of the listed books were selected as exemplary books by one or more of the following organizations: the *American Library Association (ALA)*, the *International Literacy Association (ILA)*, the *National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS)*, the *National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE)*, the *National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM)*, the *National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)*, the *American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)* or the *United States Board on Books for Young People (USBYP)*. Other awards as noted.



SUMMER READING

New Favorites & Classics

For Kindergarten to Grade 2

READ NUTMEG AWARD NOMINEES!

Find the Elementary Nutmeg list at: <http://nutmegaward.org>

FAVORITES & CLASSICS

The Wall in the Middle of the Book * by *Jon Agee*

A knight who feels secure on his side of the wall that divides his book discovers that his side is not as safe as he thought, and the other side is not as threatening. | ALA, NCSS | Lexile: 390

Ten, Nine, Eight by *Molly Bang*

Numbers from ten to one are part of this lullaby which observes the room of a little girl going to bed. | ALA | Lexile: 450

The Skunk * by *Mac Barnett*

A man is followed by a skunk all day until the tables turn. | ALA | Lexile: 390

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs by *Judi Barrett*

Life is delicious in the town of Chewandswallow where it rains soup and juice, snows mashed potatoes, and blows storms of hamburgers — until the weather takes a turn for the worse. | Lexile: 730

Hello Lighthouse * by *Sophie Blackall*

Explores the life of one lighthouse as it beams its message out to sea through shifting seasons, changeable weather, and the tenure of its final keeper. | ALA | Lexile: 510

Goodnight Moon by *Margaret Wise Brown*

Goodnight to each of the objects in the great green room: goodnight chairs, goodnight comb, goodnight air. | Lexile: 360

Mr. Tiger Goes Wild * by *Peter Brown*

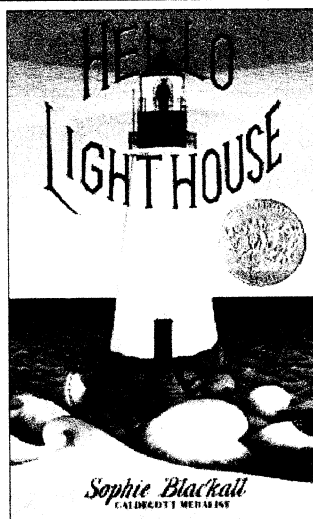
Bored with city life and the proper behavior it requires, Mr. Tiger has a wild idea that leads him to discover his true nature. | ALA | Lexile: 170

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by *Eric Carle*

Children see a variety of animals, each one a different color, and a teacher looking at them. | Lexile: 200

Gravity * by *Jason Chin*

Introduces the scientific principles of gravity using researched, simple explanations of its essential role in the universe. | Lexile: 300



Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type by *Doreen Cronin*

When Farmer Brown's cows find a typewriter in the barn they start making demands, and go on strike when the farmer refuses to give them what they want. | ALA | Lexile: 160

Maria Had a Little Llama / María Tenía una Llamita by *Angela Dominguez*

In this bilingual version of the classic rhyme, set in Peru, Maria takes her llama to school one day. | ALA | Lexile: 380

Abuela by *Arthur Dorros*

While riding on a bus with her grandmother, a little girl imagines that they are carried up into the sky and fly over the sights of New York

City. | ALA | Lexile: 510

Millions of Cats by *Wanda Gág*

How can an old man and his wife select one cat from a choice of millions and trillions? | Lexile: 730

Honey I Love: and Other Love Poems by *Eloise Greenfield*

Titles include "I Look Pretty," "Fun," "Riding on the Train," "Harriet Tubman," and "By Myself." | Lexile: NP

All Different Now * by *Angela Johnson*

In 1865, members of a family start their day as slaves, working in a Texas cotton field, and end it celebrating their freedom on what came to be known as Juneteenth. | NCSS | Lexile: 830

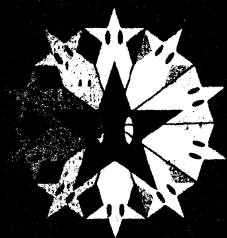
Harold and the Purple Crayon by *Crockett Johnson*

Harold goes for an adventurous walk in the moonlight with his purple crayon. | Lexile: 490

Drawn Together * by *Minh Le*

A boy and his grandfather cross a language and cultural barrier using their shared love of art, storytelling, and fantasy. | ALA, NCTE





SUMMER READING

New Favorites & Classics

For Kindergarten to Grade 2

George and Martha *by James Marshall*

Relates several episodes in the friendship of two hippopotamuses. | ALA | Lexile: 500

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom *by Bill Martin*

An alphabet rhyme/chant that relates what happens when the whole alphabet tries to climb a coconut tree. | ALA | Lexile: 530

Make Way for Ducklings *by Robert*

McCloskey

Mr. and Mrs. Mallard proudly return to their home in the Boston Public Garden with their eight offspring. | ALA | Lexile: 710

A Different Pond *by Bao Phi*

Bao Phi and his father wake up early in the morning to fish for food on the shores of a small pond in Minneapolis and Bao's father tells him about a different pond in their homeland of Vietnam. | ALA, NCSS | Lexile: 620

The Tortoise & the Hare *by*

Jerry Pinkney

Illustrations and minimal text relate the familiar fable of the race between a slow tortoise and a quick but foolish hare. | ALA, ILA

Good Night, Gorilla *by Peggy Rathmann*

An unobservant zookeeper is followed home by all the animals he thinks he has left behind in the zoo. | Lexile: 50

School's First Day of School *by Adam Rex*

Everyone's a little nervous on the first day of school, including the school building. | ALA | Lexile: 580

Henry and Mudge: The First Book of Their Adventures *by Cynthia Rylant*

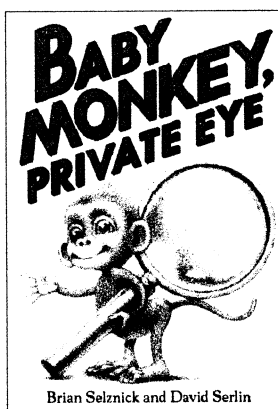
Henry, feeling lonely on a street without any other children, finds companionship and love in a big dog named Mudge. | Lexile: 460

After the Fall *by Dan Santat*

After falling off the wall, Humpty Dumpty is very afraid of climbing up again, but is determined not to let fear stop him from being close to the birds. | Lexile: 550

The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs *by Jon Scieszka*

The wolf gives his own outlandish version of what really happened when he tangled with the three little pigs. | ALA | Lexile: 510



Baby Monkey, Private Eye *by Brian Selznick*

Baby Monkey, private eye, will investigate stolen jewels, missing pizzas, and other mysteries—if he can manage to figure out how to put his pants on. | ALA, NCTE | Lexile: 210

Caps for Sale *by Esphyr Slobodkina*

A band of mischievous monkeys steals every one of a peddler's caps while he takes a nap under a tree. | Lexile: 480

The Princess and the Warrior *by Duncan Tonatiuh*

When the warrior Popoca returns to find his love, the princess Izta, deep asleep and unable to be awoken, he stays by her side just as he promised. | ALA | Lexile: 770

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! *by Mo Willems*

When a bus driver takes a break from his route, a very unlikely volunteer springs up to take his place. | ALA | Lexile: 280

Lillian's Right to Vote *by Jonah Winter & Shane W. Evans*

As an elderly woman, Lillian recalls that her great-great-grandparents were sold as slaves in front of a courthouse where only rich white men were allowed to vote, then the long fight that led to her right—and determination—to cast her ballot since the Voting Rights Act gave every American the right to vote. | ALA, NCSS | Lexile: 1030

FAVORITE AUTHORS

Byron Barton	P. D. Eastman	Robert McCloskey	David Shannon
Margaret Wise Brown	Ed Emberley	Jon Muth	Williams Steig
Anthony Browne	Mem Fox	Jerry Pinkney	David Wiesner
Eric Carle	Ezra Jack Keats	Peggy Rathmann	Mo Willems
Donald Crews	Jon Klassen	Dr. Seuss	Karma Wilson
Tomie de Paola	James Marshall	Maurice Sendak	Jacqueline Woodson