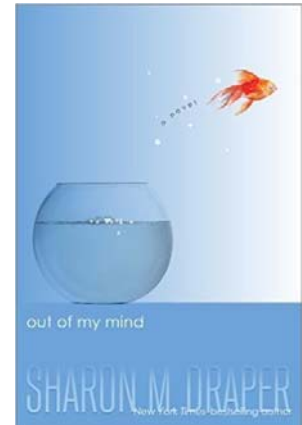




Summer is a great time of year to just lie around a pool and read a great book. In order to help build our community of readers, we are requiring each student to read the required book and one book from the optional list below. Students will be tested on the required book and must submit a book report on the optional book (using the attached *Book Report Form (3-5)*) upon returning to their language arts class in August.

Required:

Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper



One book from the following options:

- Bridge to Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson
- James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl
- The Book Itch: Freedom, Truth, and Harlem's Greatest Bookstore*
by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson
- A Dragon's Guide to the Care and Feeding of Humans* by Laurence Yep and Joanne Ryder
- Fable Comics* edited by Chris Duffy
- Flying Lesson & Other Stories* edited Ellen Oh
- Fort* by Cynthia DeFelice
- Freedom over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives and Dreams Brought to Life* by Ashley Bryan
- Garvey's Choice* by Nikki Grimes
- Jazz Day: The Making of a Famous Photograph* by Roxanne Orgill
- Moo* by Sharon Creech
- Nothing but Trouble* by Jacqueline Davies
- Raymie Nightingale* by Kate DiCamillo
- Two Naomis* by Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich and Audrey Vernick
- Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer* by Kelly Jones
- Wet Cement: A Mix of Concrete Poems* by Bob Raczka
- The Penderwicks* (series) by Jeanne Birdsall
- When You Reach Me* by Rebecca Stead
- The Mysterious Benedict Society* (series) by Trenton Lee Stewart
- Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis
- Remarkable* by Lizzie K. Foley
- Hoot* by Carl Hiaasen
- Rules* by Cynthia Lord
- Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell
- Wonder* by R. J. Palacio
- The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin

Advanced options:

- Smasher* by Scott Bly
- Homefront* by Doris Gwaltney
- The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis
- The Graveyard Book* by Neil Gaiman
- The School for Good and Evil* by Soman Chainani
- The Thief Lord* by Cornelia Funke
- Percy Jackson* (series) by Rick Riordan
- Atlantis Rising* by T.A. Barron
- The Unwanteds* by Lisa McMann
- Ranger's Apprentice* (series) by John Flanagan
- Wildwood Chronicles* (series) by Colin Meloy and Carson Ellis
- Wings of Fire* (series) by Tui T. Sutherland

You may choose any book from a series unless noted otherwise.

**Want to know if a book is appropriate for your child? Do what we do.
Check it out at commonsensemedia.org.**