

Rising Fifth Grade Summer Challenge



Greetings Rising Fifth Graders,

Attached are some activities to keep your mind sharp and to stop the summer slide as you enter fifth grade next year. Your challenge is to pick one or more activities from each section (reading, writing, & math) to complete over the summer. You can film a video, make a slideshow, take a picture, or complete your activities in a summer journal. Surprise me!!! You can be as creative as you wish and have fun while practicing important skills. Complete your "Rising 5th Grade Summer Challenge" and turn it in to me on the first day of fifth grade, and you'll earn a cool prize!

May you have an amazing summer,

Mrs. Turk ♥

Hello



Summer

Choose one activity from each section and turn it in on the first day of school to claim your prize!

Rising 5TH GRADE



READING

KEY SKILLS TO FOCUS ON:

- **Summarize** chapters and explain how ideas connect across a text.
- Describe **characters' traits**, motivations, and changes throughout a story.
- Use **context clues** to determine word meanings and identify **similes, metaphors, and idioms**.
- Compare similar **themes, characters, or events** across different books.
- Identify the narrator's **perspective** and analyze how it shapes the story.
- Read **persuasive texts** and evaluate if the author's reasoning is strong.

FUN ACTIVITIES:

- **Book Character Bio:** Create a pretend social media profile for a book character. Include all the important information about them.
- **Read & Cook:** Read a book that mentions food, then ask an adult to help you make a dish inspired by it.
- **Podcast Book Review:** Record a podcast episode discussing your reactions and predictions of a book.
- **Reading Road Trip:** Read a book set in each state or country and track locations on a map.



WRITING

KEY SKILLS TO FOCUS ON:

- Use a mix of short and long sentences to improve **writing style**.
- Write well-structured **paragraphs** with clear **main ideas and supporting details**.
- Use **sensory details** and vivid words to paint a picture for the reader.
- Develop detailed **characters, settings, and conflicts** in short stories.
- Write persuasive essays with claims supported by **reasons and evidence**.
- Research and use **multiple sources** to write informative essays.

FUN ACTIVITIES:

- **Travel Brochure for a Fictional Place:** Create a brochure for a setting from a book inviting people to visit.
- **Writing in Another Perspective:** Rewrite a story from a different character's point of view.
- **Invent a Superhero:** Design a superhero and write a short story about where they came from.
- **One Sentence Story Challenge:** Write a complete, detailed story using only one sentence.



MATH

KEY SKILLS TO FOCUS ON:

- **Multiplication & division** with multi-digit numbers
- **Equivalent fractions**
- **Adding and subtracting** fractions
- **Place value** with larger numbers and decimals
- **Interpreting** line plots and bar graphs
- Finding **factors & multiples**
- Basic **geometry** (angles, lines, symmetry)

FUN ACTIVITIES:

- **Road trip math:** Calculate distances and time estimates for destinations around your city/town.
- **Sports statistics:** Use real-world sports data to create and interpret graphs.
- **Dream room design:** Measure and calculate the area and perimeter for a DIY bedroom makeover.
- **Budget challenge:** Provide a budget and calculate what can be purchased from any store.
- **Multiplication Challenge:** Using any two numbers around you.