

Franklin Township School Summer Reading Assignment for Students Entering 2nd through 5th Grade

For each of your two summer reading books you must complete one of the following activities:

If the book is non-fiction choose one of these:

- **TIMELINE.** The purpose of a timeline is to recount the important events in the book in the order that they happened.
- **BOOK REVIEW.** The purpose of a book review is to provide enough information about the book so other boys and girls can decide if they want to read the book. Be careful not to give away too much information. Otherwise, the reader may not have to read the book because they already know the whole story. **Your book review should include the following information:** Title, author, brief summary of the story, your opinion of the book, a recommendation.
- **LETTER TO THE AUTHOR.** The purpose of writing a letter to the author is to share your opinion of the book. **Your letter to the author should include:** A brief summary of the book you read, an event in the book that you were able to connect with or stirred something in you, your opinion of the book, evidence (text from the story) to support your connection and opinion.

If the book is fiction choose one of these:

- **LETTER TO AUTHOR.** See above.
- **BOOK REVIEW.** See above.
- **STORY MAP.** The purpose of a story map is to identify the story elements. Write a brief description of the following story elements: Setting, characters, problem, solution.
- **COMPARE/CONTRAST CHARACTERS.** The purpose of comparing and contrasting characters is to show how a character is the same as and different from another character or yourself. Use a Venn Diagram to help you compare and contrast and then write a paragraph telling about the characters.