



St. Joseph Catholic School Summer Reading 2025-2026



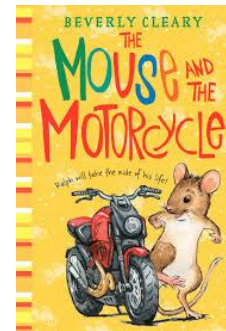
Fifth Grade

Due Date for Summer Reading – **Wednesday, August 13, 2025**

Required Book and Graphic Organizer:

1. All students will read the following book and complete the attached graphic organizer. Students will log in to BeanStack, log their book, and complete the reading validation challenge for 5th grade:

The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary



Book and Project:

2. All students will choose **one** book from the list below and complete **one** of the attached projects. This book can be logged in the BeanStack

Summer Reading Challenge: Splash into Summer to help the school win prizes!

Sadako and The Thousand Paper Cranes by Eleanor Coerr

Bud Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

Matilda by Roald Dahl

The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks

The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin

Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Where Is... Geography/Landmark Series

Story Mountain

Plot out the events of the narrative.

Name: _____

Text: _____

Complication: What is the most difficult challenge?

Build Up: What is the initial obstacle the characters face?

Use the *back* to help...

Orientation: Who are the main characters? What is the setting?

Falling Action: How do the characters respond?

What does this reveal about the characters?

What have the characters *learned*?
What about the audience?

Resolution: How does the story end?

Fifth Grade – List of Projects for Book #2

Students will choose one book from the suggested list and complete one of the below projects.

1. Make a timeline of ALL the events of the book.
2. Write a one sentence summary of each chapter and illustrate the sentence.
3. Make a shoe box diorama of a scene from the book you read. Write a paragraph explaining the scene and its effect in the book.
4. Choose an interesting character from the book. Consider the character's personality, likes, and dislikes. Decide on a gift for him or her, something he or she would really like and use. Design a greeting card to go along with your gift. In the greeting, explain to your choice of character, your "friend" from the book, why you selected the gift.