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## **GSS Summer Reading Program**

To the parents of \_\_\_\_\_,

In keeping with our goal of developing in our students the habit of reading, we require each of our students entering 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades to read at least 4 books over the summer from the Accelerated Reading program and to take computer quizzes on them. We think your child will find interest, challenge, and reading success in the \_\_\_\_\_ grade collection of AR books and have attached this list. Good Shepherd has at least one copy of most of the books listed. When you cannot locate a book here, remember they are also available at your local public library or bookstore. In addition to the AR list, your 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade child may also read from the Landmark Book Series for excellent non-fiction literature. ***For credit, download ([www.gsstyler.org](http://www.gsstyler.org)), complete, and submit a Book Report Form.***

Your child may check out books from the school and take quizzes beginning Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. The Summer AR Library (with computer) is located in the first room to the right after the School Office (M104).

***Do check out our school website: [www.gsstyler.org](http://www.gsstyler.org).*** *Scroll down the front page to find 1) the AR List for your student's grade, 2) a link to BookAdventure!, 3) a link to the Landmark Book Series, and 4) Book Report Forms to receive credit for books read from Landmark Books.*

BookAdventure! is a free, online reading contest/quiz program that your child can sign up for. *We do not recommend all of the books listed in BookAdventure!* However, BookAdventure! does include many of the books on our AR list, as well as other good books. ***It will be up to you to supervise your child's choices and use of the Internet for this program.*** Quizzes for Good Shepherd AR books as well as for other books may be taken online at BookAdventure!, if the particular book has a quiz available in their program. If you use BookAdventure!, be sure to print out, sign, and submit an individual progress report of quiz scores for your child at the end of summer.

For 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders, the results of the quizzes on AR books will count as the first English test grade of the new school year. Students falling below the 4-book minimum requirement will have this test grade lowered by 25 points per book. Books that a student has previously read will not count toward the required number.

List all the books your child reads this summer! Recognition for exceptional summer reading will be given after school begins. We eagerly anticipate seeing each student's reading list. Nothing our students do with their time these next three months will be more beneficial in helping them become active and excited life-long learners.



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Additional books read (including more AR books):

Author

Parent  
Initials

AR  
Bk?


*Don't forget to attach Landmark Book Reports and a print-out of your BookAdventure! individual progress.*