

**MATER AMORIS MONTESSORI SCHOOL**  
**SUMMER READING LIST, Summer 2008**  
*Upper Elementary/10 – 12 YEARS*

Check off all the books you have already read by yourself. You are required to read at least six books during the summer. Keep a record of the books you read. Write a two page report on five of the books. Give the author, title, setting, main characters, and a brief summary of the plot. Hand in the reports on the first day of school in September. Any other titles by the authors below are also acceptable. *You may substitute any age-appropriate, parent-approved book for any on the list below.*

**FICTION**

Alvarez, Julia	How Tia Came to Visit/Stay
Andersen, Hans Christian	The Fir Tree
Avi	The History of Helpless Harry
Babbitt, Natalie	Jack Plank Tells Tales
Baker, E.D.	Frog Princess Series
Balliett, Blue	The Calder Game
Baum, Frank L.	Ozma of Oz
Beck, Ian	Secret History of Tom True Heart
Blackwood, Gary	Wild Timothy
Broach, Elise	Shakespeare's Secret
Buckley, Michael	The Sister' Grimm Series
Creech, Sharon	The Castle Corona
Clements, Andrew	No Talking
DeJong, Meindert	The House of Sixty Fathers
Easley, Maryann	I Am the Iceworm
Edwards, Julie Andrews	Mandy
Fleischman, Paul	Saturnalia
Giff, Patricia Reilly	Waterstreet
Hesse, Karen	Aleutian Sparrow / Stowaway
Hunter, Erin	'Warriors', & 'Seekers' Series
Kaye, M.M.	The Ordinary Princess
Kerr, P.B.	Children of the Lamp Series
King-Smith, Dick	The Mouse Butcher
Lansky, Bruce	Newfangled Fairy Tales
Lasky, Kathryn	Guardians of Ga'Hoole Series
Lofting, Hugh	The Story of Dr. Dolittle
McCloskey, Robert	Centerburg Tales
Morpurgo, Michael	Beowulf / Kensuke's Kingdom / The Mozart Question
Murphy, Jill	Jeffrey Strangeways
Napoli, Donna Jo	North
Park, Linda Sue	Archer's Quest
Paulsen, Gary	Alida's Song / The Transall Saga
Pratchett, Terry	The Bromeliad Trilogy Series
Sage, Angie	Septimus Heap Series
Smith, Roland	Elephant Run
Spinelli, Jerry	Maniac Magee
Taylor, Theodore	Timothy of the Cay
Umansky, Kaye	Solomon Snow & the Silver Spoon
Velde, Vivian Vande	Smart Dog
Wiles, Deborah	The Aurora County All-Stars
Whelan, Gloria	That Wild Berries Grow
Zusak, Markus	The Book Thief

**OR** Any of these Authors: Cleary, Dahl, Erdrich, Estes, Funke, Jean Fritz, Jean Craighead George, Brian Jacques, C.S. Lewis, Lois Lowry, Naylor, Nimmo, Mary Norton, Richard Peck, JRR Tolkein, Laurence

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**NON-FICTION**

Adams, Simon	Elizabeth I
Carpenter, Angelica	Frances H. Burnett: Beyond the Secret Garden
Celfry, Holly	Exploring Australia Using Charts, Graphs... (Math)
Christensen, Bonnie	Woodie Guthrie: Poet of the People
Cosson, M.J.	Death Valley National Park
Cox, Reg	The 7 Wonders of the Historic World
Crossley-Holland, Kevin	The World of King Arthur & His Court
Demi	Su Dongpo: Chinese Genius
Dobson, Mary	Smelly Old History: Victorian Vapors (Scratch&Sniff)
Donald, Rhonda	ReCycling (Or any 'New True' Book)
Elliot, Marion	Fun w/ Recycling
Fleischman, Sid	The Trouble Begins at 8 (A Life of Mark Twain...)
Florian, Douglas	Comets, Stars, The Moon and Mars (Poetry)
Freedman, Russell	Give Me Liberty! The Story of the Declaration of Independence
Fritz, Jean	Who's Saying What in Jamestown, Thomas Savage?
Gaff, Jackie	Ancient Egypt
Gaines, Ann	Gary Paulsen
Hawking, Lucy & Stephan	George's Secret Key to the Universe
Hopkins, Lee Bennett	My America: Poetry Atlas of the US
Hughes, Ted	The Mermaid's Purse (Poetry)
Johnston, Michael	History News: Columbus in Japan?
Juster, Norton	The Dot and The Line
Katz, Bobbi	We The People (Poetry)
Krull, Kathleen	Lives of Extraordinary Women: Rulers, Rebels.....
Landmann, Bimba	I Am Marc Chagall: A Boy Named Giotto...
Lang, Andrew	The Blue Fairy Book
Lewis, J. Patrick	Monumental Verses
Malam, John	Song and Dance (Music)
Marsalis, Wynton &...	Jazz ABZ
McCarthy, Shaun	All About J.K. Rowling
McCutcheon, Marc	The Kid Who Named Pluto & Other Extraordinary Young...
Nagda, Ann Whitehead	Tiger Math: Learning How to Graph from a Baby Tiger
Neuschwander, Cindy	Sir Cumference and the Isle of Immeter (Math)
Philip, N.	Celtic Fairy Tales
Roca, Nuria	The 3 R's: Reuse, Reduce, Recycle
Ryan, Patrick	Shakespeare's Storybook: Folktales That Inspired...
Santella, Andrew	Building the New York Subway
Schwartz, Alvin	Gold & Silver, Silver & Gold
Schwartz, David	G is for Google (Math)
Shields, Carol Diggory	Brain Juice: American History
Stanley, Diane	Shaka: King of the Zulus
Warren, Andrea	Pioneer Girl: Growing Up on the Prairie
White, Ellen Emerson	Voyage on the Great Titanic (Hist.Fiction)
Williams, Diane	At Home in the Rain Forests
Woods, Bob	Annika Sorenstam