

NEW BRUNSWICK SUMMER READING
GRADES 6 - 8

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Our students have been working hard all year and we would like to help your child continue to develop important language arts literacy skills through our Summer Reading Program. We urge you to encourage your child to participate in this program. Summer reading is a crucial element of our partnership, as we work together to ensure that our students/children grow to be life-long learners.

Help your child:

Step 1:

Choose several books for summer reading. We have included a list of recommended titles.

Step 2:

Complete the reading log for all the books read during the summer.

Step 3:

Choose **one** of the novels read during the summer for the activity page. Choose and complete **one** of the activities from the list. Use the scoring rubric to assist how the activity will be graded.

<http://www.nbps.k12.nj.us/curriculum/Curriculum/NewBrunswickFriendlyWritingRubric.pdf>

Step 4:

Bring the completed activity and reading log on the first day of school.

Attached is the New Brunswick Grades 6-8 Summer Reading information:

- Summer reading list for grades 6, 7 & 8
- Summer reading log (6-8)
- Activity list (6-8)
- Rubric (6-8)

LECTURA DE VERANO DE NEW BRUNSWICK
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Querido padre/guardián,
Nuestros estudiantes han trabajado duro todo el año y nos *gustaría ayudar a su hijo/a a continuar desarrollando las importantes habilidades de las artes literarias del lenguaje a través de nuestro programa de Lectura de Verano*. Le pedimos que anime a su hijo/a a participar en este programa. La lectura de verano es un elemento crucial en nuestra relación conjunta para asegurarnos de que nuestros estudiantes/niños/as crecen para aprender durante toda su vida.

Ayude a su hijo/a:

Paso 1:

Elija varios libros para leer este verano. Hemos incluido una lista de títulos recomendados.

Paso 2:

Complete la lista de lectura de todos los libros leídos en el verano.

Paso 3:

Elija **una** de las novelas leídas durante el verano para la página de actividad. Elija y complete **una** de las actividades de la lista. Use el cuadro de evaluación para ayudarlo en como evaluar la actividad.

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Paso 4:

Traiga la actividad completada y la lista de libros leídos el primer día de escuela.

Incluimos la información del programa de Lectura de Verano de New Brunswick para los grados 6-8:

- Lista de lectura de verano para los grados 6, 7 & 8
- Lista de libros leídos (6-8)
- Lista de actividad (6-8)
- Cuadro de evaluación (6-8)

*NEW BRUNSWICK GRADES 6-8 STUDENT ACTIVITIES
FOR SUMMER READING*

Students:

Choose one novel that you have read and recorded in your summer reading log. Use that novel and choose one activity from this list to show comprehension of a novel. A scoring rubric is included to show how the activity will be graded.

- Make a comic strip or storyboard telling the entire story.
 - Focus on the most important chapters of the novel
or
 - Utilize your knowledge of a plotline to guide your comic or storyboard.

- Write about how the story would be different if it took place in a different setting.

- Tell the message (theme) of a story by writing the lyrics to a rap or any song of your choice.

- Keep a diary for a character from the book.

- Write an essay choosing a theme for the book. Use examples from the book to show how the theme is woven throughout the book.

- Pretend you are a book critic and write a review about your novel.

- Select a character from a story you have read. Create a Myspace (**as a WORD DOCUMENT**) page that he or she would create for him/herself.

- Create a newspaper front page with one article about one major event in the novel.

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Estudiantes:

Elije una novela que hayas leído y anotado en la lista de lectura de verano. Usa esa novela y elije una actividad de la lista para mostrar una comprensión de una novela. Se incluye una guía de evaluación para mostrar como será evaluada la actividad.

- Haz una tira de cómic o un guión gráfico para contar toda la historia.
 - Céntrate en los capítulos más importantes de la novela, o
 - Utiliza tu conocimiento de un argumento de la historia para ayudarte con tu cómic o guión gráfico.
- Escribe acerca de como la historia sería diferente si tuviera lugar en un lugar diferente.
- Cuenta el mensaje de la historia escribiendo un rap o una canción de tu elección.
- Mantén un diario de uno de los personajes del libro.
- Escribe una redacción eligiendo un tema del libro. Usa ejemplos del libro para mostrar como el tema es elaborado en el libro.
- Pretende ser un crítico de libros y escribe una crítica de la novela.
- Elige un personaje de una historia que hayas leído. Crea una página (**en un DOCUMENTO DE WORD**) en Myspace y hazla como si este personaje la creara por si mismo/a.
- Crea una portada de un periódico con un artículo acerca de un suceso importante de la novela.

***Summer Reading List for Middle School
Grade 6***

<u>Category</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Description</u>
A	Paulsen, Gary	<u>Nightjohn</u>	Nightjohn returns to slavery to teach others to read and 12 year old Sarny is willing to take the risk to learn.
A	Salisbury, Graham	<u>Under the Blood Red Sun</u>	Tomi, a Hawaiian born of Japanese descent, is very American but when the Japanese bomb Pearl Harbor his patriotism and that of his family are questioned.
A	Woodson, Jacqueline	<u>Hush</u>	Thirteen year old Toswiah finds her life changed when her family enters the witness protection program.
B	Creech, Sharon	<u>Absolutely Normal Chaos</u>	Mary Lou grows up considerably during the summer while learning about romance, homesickness, death, and her cousin's search for his father.
B	Draper, Sharon	<u>Double Dutch</u>	With the hopes of entering the International Double Dutch jump rope competition, Delia and her two eighth grade friends try to hide their individual problems so that they can concentrate on practicing for the competition.
B	Myers, Walter Dean	<u>Hoops</u>	Seventeen year old Lonnie Jackson hopes that basketball will be his ticket out of Harlem until the savage underworld of sports and big money force him to make a choice.
B	Yolen, Jane	<u>Devil's Arithmetic</u>	Hannah is tired of hearing about the Nazis during the Holocaust, and when she opens the door for Elijah during Passover, she is transported in time to 1940 Poland.
C	Bloor, Edward	<u>Tangerine</u>	To Paul Fisher, a new house and school seem like minor problems when compared to making the soccer team and living with his brother, Eric.
C	Creech, Sharon	<u>Walk Two Moons</u>	While traveling from Ohio to Idaho with her eccentric grandparents to visit her mother who had left her the year before, Salamanca Hiddle struggles to understand why her mother has abandoned her.
C	Ryan, Pam Munoz	<u>Esperanza Rising</u>	Esperanza, a teenage Mexican girl, is forced to leave her home in Mexico and flee to California where she finds hard labor and struggle. As her situation becomes more difficult, she finds a way to rise above it all.

Lista de Lectura de Verano
6º Grado - Bilingüe

Categoría	Autor	Título	Descripción
A	Dav Pilkey	¡Las aventuras del Superbebé Pañal!	Historia humorística de un héroe infantil sin miedo.
A	Peter Härtling	La abuela	Cuando Karli tenía cinco años, sus padres murieron en un accidente de coche. Como ahora el vive con su abuela, ambos deben aprender cambiar y adaptarse el uno al otro.
A	Xavier P. Docampo	Adelaida, Héctor y demás familia	Adelaida, una niña muy lista, hace cosas extrañas y mágicas con su amigo Héctor, a quien le gusta mucho el bosque y sus criaturas.
B	Sarita Kendall	Al rescate de Omacha	Una niña joven cuida de un delfín herido y le devuelve la salud gracias a la ayuda de espíritus indios.
B	Peter Chrisp	El Antiguo Egipto al descubierto	Este libro da una visión general de la historia y los logros de Egipto.
B	Philip Pullman	Aladino y la lámpara maravillosa	La historia de Aladino y la lámpara maravillosa
B	Lewis Carroll	Alicia a través del espejo.	El cuento familiar de Alicia y sus aventuras después de que atraviesa un espejo.
C	Astrid Lindgren	Las aventuras de Miguel el travieso	Incluye las aventuras de un niño pícaro que tienen lugar en el campo en Suecia, con ilustraciones en blanco y negro.
C	Betsy Haynes	Bienvenidos al hotel	La historia de sucesos sobrenaturales que implican a adolescentes.
C	Emid Blyton	El club de los siete secretos	Un grupo de siete adolescentes forman un club secreto y realizan trabajos de detectives para encontrar a una pareja de ladrones peligrosos.

***Summer Reading List for Middle School
Grade 7***

<u>Category</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Description</u>
A	Clements, Andrew	<u>Frindle</u>	Nick really just likes to liven things up at school — and he's always had plenty of great ideas. When Nick learns some interesting information about how words are created, suddenly he's got the inspiration for his best plan ever...the frindle. Who says a pen has to be called a pen? Why not call it a frindle? Things begin innocently enough as Nick gets his friends to use the new word. Then other people in town start saying frindle. Soon the school is in an uproar, and Nick has become a local hero. His teacher wants Nick to put an end to all this nonsense, but the funny thing is frindle doesn't belong to Nick anymore. The new word is spreading across the country, and there's nothing Nick can do to stop it.
A	Clements, Andrew	<u>Things Not Seen</u>	"For fifteen-year-old Bobby Phillips, "being ignored" takes on a whole new meaning when he wakes up one morning and discovers he's become invisible! After convincing his parents he still exists, Bobby is forced to remain at home and keep his "condition" a secret. When his parents are in a car accident that leaves them hospitalized, however, Bobby must journey outside.
A	Soto, Gary	<u>Taking Sides</u>	Fourteen year old Lincoln Mendoza, an aspiring basketball player, must come to terms with his divided loyalties when he moves from the Hispanic inner city to a white suburban neighborhood.
A	Bonham, Frank	<u>Durango Street</u>	When Rufus Henry gets out of a work camp for Grand Theft Auto, he has only one place to go-back to Durango Street. Almost right away, he gets on the wrong side of the Gassers, has to join the rival Moors, and starts running for his life.
B	Avi	<u>Nothing But the Truth</u>	A ninth grader's suspension for singing the "Star Spangled Banner" during homeroom becomes a national news story.
B	Cooney, Caroline	<u>The Face on the Milk Carton</u>	Janey can remember wearing the same dress the missing little girl on the milk carton is wearing. She even thinks maybe she used to look like the picture of the little girl. But they can't be the same person, they have different names, right?

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B	Ellis, Deborah	<u>Breadwinner</u>	Eleven year old Parvana must disguise herself as a boy so that her family can survive after her father's arrest because the Taliban rulers impose strict limitations on women's freedom and behavior.
B	Woolf, Virginia Euwer	<u>The Mozart Season</u>	Allegra enters a competition for young musicians but ends up spending the summer learning important lessons about her family and herself.
C	Curtis, Christopher Paul	<u>Watsons go to Birmingham, 1963</u>	The Watsons are a loving, funny family who live in Flint, Michigan in the early 1960's. When the oldest brother, Byron, continues down the path to trouble, his parents decide to take him to stay with his strict grandmother in Birmingham, Alabama.
C	Gaiman, Neil	<u>The Graveyard Book</u>	Bod Owens is a totally normal boy. Or at least, he would be completely normal if he didn't live in a sprawling graveyard, being raised and educated by ghosts, with a solitary guardian who belongs to neither the world of the living nor of the dead.
C	Konigsburg, E.L.	<u>Silent to the Bone</u>	When 13 year old Branwell is wrongly accused of gravely injuring his baby sister, he loses his power of speech and only his friend, Conner, is able to reach him and uncover the truth about what really happened.
C	Cormier, Robert	<u>The Rag and Bone Shop</u>	The last person to see this seven year old little girl alive is twelve year old Jason. The detectives call in their best interrogator, one who always gets a confession. Is it the truth he's after or a confession?

Lista de Lectura de Verano
7º Grado – Bilingüe

Categoría	Autor	Título	Descripción
A	Stine, R. L.	<u>El abominable hombre de las nieves en Pasadena</u> (<u>Abominable Snowman of Pasadena</u>)	Cuenta las misteriosas aventuras de un par de hermanos, Jordan y Nicole, quienes van a Alaska en busca de un monstruo peligroso.
A	Reiche, Dietlof	<u>Freddy, un hámster en acción</u> (<u>Freddy, A Hamster in Action</u>)	Las aventuras de Freddy, un hámster muy determinado que toma serias medidas con la ayuda de sus amigos para salvar las madrigueras de sus primos, los leales hamsters.
A	Townson, Hazel	<u>La abuela secuestrada</u> (<u>The Vanishing Gran</u>)	Un chico, Lenny, con su amigo, descubre que su abuela ha desaparecido y empieza una búsqueda peligrosa que acaba en un gran desastre.
A	Silverstein, Shel	<u>Donde el camino se corta: Nuevos caminos para reírse</u> (<u>Where the Sidewalk Ends</u>)	Colección de poesía humorística ilustrada con dibujos del autor.
B	Menéndez-Ponte, Maria	<u>Los amuletos de Marta</u> (<u>Marta's Good Luck Charms</u>)	Marta, una adolescente que depende de su amuleto de buena suerte para realizar sus actividades diarias y sus tres amigas van de aventura en aventura.
B	Sorrentino, Fernando	<u>Aventuras del capitán Bancalari</u> (<u>Adventures of Captain Bancalari</u>)	Novela mágica acerca de una tierra de fantasía y un chico tonto, divertido e intrépido llamado Alejandro y su esposa Rosita.
B	Soto, Gary	<u>Béisbol en abril y otras historias</u> (<u>Baseball in April and Other Stories</u>)	Once historias cortas que tratan los problemas de crecer en Fresno, California.
B	Gómez Campo, Fernando	<u>Al final de la noche</u> (<u>At the End of the Night</u>)	Un grupo de excursionistas se enfrentan con un misterioso incidente.
C	Mirande, Jacqueline	<u>Arturo y los caballeros de la Mesa Redonda</u> (<u>Tales and Legends of the Knights of the Round Table</u>)	Describe las hazañas del rey Arturo y los caballeros de la mesa redonda.
C	Curtis, S. R.	<u>Bandidos fantasmas</u> (<u>Ghostly Bandits</u>)	El Zorro salva su hacienda del alcalde corrupto, Luís Ramón en Los Angeles en 1815.
C	Burgess, Melvin	<u>El aullido del lobo</u> (<u>The Cry of the Wolf</u>)	Novela acerca de un cazador que quiere acabar con una manada de lobos.
C	Haynes, Betsy	<u>De vuelta a la escuela</u> (<u>Back to School</u>)	Historia de sucesos sobrenaturales que implican a adolescentes.

***Summer Reading List for Middle School
Grade 8***

<u>Category</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Description</u>
A	Draper, Sharon	<u>Forged by Fire</u>	Gerald, who has struggled his entire life to survive in spite of his drug-addicted mother, now must protect his sister from an abusive stepfather.
A	Cisneros, Sandra	<u>House on Mango Street</u>	Told in a series of vignettes, here is the story of Esperanza Cordero, a young girl growing up in the Hispanic quarter of Chicago.
A	Wolf, Virginia Euwer	<u>Make Lemonade</u>	In order to make money for college, LaVaughn babysits for a teenage mother and ends up learning a lot about life herself.
B	Crutcher, Chris	<u>Ironman</u>	While training for a triathlon, 17 year old Bo attends an anger management group at school which leads him to examine his relationship with his father.
B	Plum-Ucci, Carol	<u>Body of Christopher Creed</u>	Rumors fly when the teenage outcast Christopher Creed vanishes, leaving an unclear email behind. Did he run? Commit suicide? Was he kidnapped? Murdered?
B	Zindel, Paul	<u>The Gadget</u>	In 1945, having joined his father at Los Alamos, where he and other scientists are working on a secret project to end World War II, thirteen year old Stephen becomes caught in a web of secrecy and intrigue.
B	Brooks, Bruce	<u>The Moves Make the Man</u>	Basketball unites two talented players, "Jayfox" and Bix. One boy integrates the biggest white high school in Wilmington, NC while the other battles with dishonesty.
C	Raskin, Ellen	<u>The Westing Game</u>	The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim the inheritance.

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C	Yolen, Jane	<u>Armageddon Summer</u>	A charismatic preacher leads his followers up a mountain to prepare for the end of the world. Marina, who wants to be a believer, and skeptical Jed offer different perspectives on the events that bring them together even as their lives are being torn apart.
C	Hesse, Karen	<u>Witness</u>	The year is 1924 and a small town in Vermont is falling under the influence of the Ku Klux Klan. Two girls, one black and the other Jewish, are among those who are no longer welcome. As the potential for violence increases, heroes and villains are revealed, and everyone in town is affected.

Lista de Lectura de Verano
8º Grado – Bilingüe

Categoría	Autor	Título	Descripción
A	Tomie dePaola	La abuelita de arriba y la abuelita de abajo (Nana Upstairs & Nana Downstairs)	A un niño, Tomás, le encanta estar con sus dos abuelas; sin embargo, llega un día cuando todo acaba excepto por las memorias de su infancia.
A	Fernando Gómez Campo	Al final de la noche (At the End of the Night)	Un grupo de excursionistas se enfrentan a un misterioso incidente.
A	Lois Lowry	Anastasia Krupnik (Anastasia Krupnik)	Anastasia tiene doce años y piensa que su mundo se está derrumbando cuando debe sobrellevar el nacimiento de hermano y se enamora de un chico.
A	Sid Fleischman	El caballo de medianoche (The Midnight Horse)	Un chico joven abandonado intenta encontrar el último miembro de su familia pero se arrepiente de su esfuerzo.
B	Eoin Colfer	Artemis Fowl (Artemis Fowl)	Un genio de doce años, Artemis Fowl, prueba que es uno de los criminales más ingeniosos de su tiempo. Este libro provee detalles de algunas de sus conspiraciones cuando intenta tobar el oro que pertenece a las hadas y duendes que coexisten con los humanos en el planeta Tierra.
B	Paul Biegel	Los doce bandoleros (The Twelve Bandits)	Traducciones de un famoso cuento holandés.
B	Pura Azorín	¿Dónde está el señor Spock? (Where Is Mr. Spock?)	La historia de un niño español de quince años y su vida con una familia con problemas.
B	J.K. Rowling	Harry Potter y el cáliz de fuego (Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire)	Las aventuras de Harry Potter continúan en este cuarto libro de las series.
C	Jacqueline Mirande	Arturo y los caballeros de la Mesa Redonda (Tales and Legends of the Knights of the Round Table)	Describe las hazañas del rey Arturo y de sus caballeros de la Mesa Redonda.
C	Pablo Antón Marín Estrada	Los caminos sin fin (Journeys with No End)	Narrativa dramática en primera persona de la vida de un joven en el mar.
C	Gary Soto	Cebollas enterradas (Buried Onions)	La dura realidad de la vida en el barrio es representada a través de Eddy, que tiene 19 años.
C	Josep Vallverdú	Cita en la cala negra (Date in the Black Cave)	Cuento de misterio que involucra a dos chicos adolescentes en Barcelona.