

# Summer Reading Program 2023

## Savannah Adventist Christian School

Summer is almost here, a time for fun and family. It's time for a change of pace and a change of scenery. It's also a time for children to forget what they learned the previous school year. This loss of learning is sometimes called the "summer slide". If you'd like to read more about it, check out the links below.

<https://www.nwea.org/blog/2018/8-resources-for-parents-to-promote-summer-learning/>

<https://www.scholastic.com/parents/books-and-reading/reading-resources/developing-reading-skills/three-ways-to-prevent-summer-slide.html>

<https://www.nwea.org/blog/2016/five-ways-to-promote-summer-lovinof-math/>

<https://www.idtech.com/blog/summer-slide-facts-for-productive-school-break>

The Summer Reading and Skill Reinforcement Program for SACS students will help ensure that your child maintains his or her academic success for the next school year. We encourage you to make this fun for your child, but to also make it intentional. Come up with a plan so there is no need to panic as summer comes to an end. You are welcome to read *with* your child, discuss the book as they go along, and of course, read more than the minimum!

This is due on the first day of class in the 2023-2024 school year and will be worth 100 points for the reading grade for first quarter.

Have fun and read!

**We strongly recommend this Summer Bridge Book for rising 3<sup>rd</sup> graders:**

[https://www.amazon.com/Summer-Bridge-Activities%C2%AE-Grades-Activities/dp/148381582X/ref=sr\\_1\\_1\\_sspa?keywords=summer+bridge+2-3&qid=1559133250&s=gateway&sr=8-1-spons&psc=1](https://www.amazon.com/Summer-Bridge-Activities%C2%AE-Grades-Activities/dp/148381582X/ref=sr_1_1_sspa?keywords=summer+bridge+2-3&qid=1559133250&s=gateway&sr=8-1-spons&psc=1)

## For Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Graders

**DIRECTIONS:** Choose several chapter books for your summer reading. (You can take a week or two of vacation and still complete this challenge!) On the recording paper provided, write each title and author, then write a three-sentence summary. Try to read 4 or 5 chapter books or more this summer. You can choose picture books and other text you enjoy in addition to the chapter books.

<b>Frustrating</b> I HAVE TO WORK REALLY HARD TO UNDERSTAND THIS BOOK.	<b>Just Right</b> NOT TOO HARD OR TOO EASY. I LOVE THIS BOOK!
<b>Boring</b> THIS BOOK IS NOT NECESSARILY CHALLENGING. IT JUST MAKES ME YAWN.	<b>Entertaining</b> I AM TOTALLY INTO THIS BOOK, BUT IT MIGHT BE TOO EASY FOR ME.

### Tips for Choosing “Just Right” Books:

- Read one of the first full pages in the book. Count how many words you don't know. If it's more than 2-3, it might prove to be a difficult read. If you are really interested and think you'll stick with it, it's worth a challenge. If not, it might be better to try a different book because you don't want to miss any of the important parts.
- When you read it out loud, can you read it smoothly? If so, it might be a good fit.
- Does the topic of the book interest you? If so, that's a good sign.
- Read a few pages. Do you understand what you are reading? Can you tell someone about it? If you can, it might be a good choice.
- Is this book in a genre that you normally enjoy? If you typically like informational text and it's an informational book, chances are that you'll enjoy it.
- Give the book a chance! If you think you'll like it but can't get into it within 25-50 pages, it's okay to abandon the book and try something else.

**Keep in mind:** WHEN READING INDEPENDENTLY, TRY TO SELECT A BOOK THAT IS interesting to you AND THAT YOU CAN COMPREHEND.

**Summer 2023**  
**Book Summaries (SACS Grade 3-4)**

Title	Author	Three-sentence summary MUST BE IN YOUR OWN WORDS. Do not copy from anywhere!
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By signing below, you truthfully declare that these books were approved by the parent and read by the student named below during the summer of 2023.

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Student Signature Date

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Parent Signature Date