

# WELCOME FIRST GRADE PARENTS!

Welcome to First Grade! Get ready for an exciting, fun-filled year where, together, we'll watch your child flourish into a strong and independent reader and mathematician! **To help maintain your child's current reading level, read to your child or listen to your child read this summer 5 days a week for 20 minutes!** The idea is not to teach your child how to read, but to help your child become a book lover! Read favorites over and over until your child is able to read them to you. Help your child select books from the attached reading list that are of high interest. The books should be available at the Wicomico County Library...plan weekly visits if possible! Please feel free to substitute books on the list with books you and your child find enjoyable.

Keep a list of the books you and your child read together on the attached Reading Log. In addition, encourage your child to color the 1,000 Minutes of Summer Reading chart daily. Both will be collected the first day of school!

Also enclosed is a list of the first 100 Fry High-Frequency Words that we'll begin reviewing the first day of school. Give your child a GIANT head-start before school even begins by copying 5-10 words on index cards and then taping them to the front of your refrigerator. Get your child in the habit of reading all the words before opening the refrigerator door! Hang them in any spot in your home where your child can see and read them often throughout the day!

It is my sincere hope that your child experiences nothing but success during their entire First Grade experience! You can help ensure their success by reading to/with them regularly! I have one summer read for all parents called The Read-Aloud Handbook by Jim Trelease. This book is a MUST for all parents! It includes age-appropriate book lists along with guidelines for helping your young child become a lover of books! Borrow it from the library or purchase it and then pass it on to a friend!

Finally, look for an email in August inviting you to stop by the classroom for an Open House! At this time you can drop-off school supplies and summer work before the first day of school! Have a safe and happy summer and remember to READ, READ, READ!

Fondly,  
Mrs. Chamberlain

## FIRST GRADE SUPPLY LIST

Below you will find a list of supplies needed for the first day of First Grade. Feel free to bring the items to our Open House in August!

1-4x6 snapshot of your family from a SUMMER trip or event that we may keep and hang on our Back-to-School bulletin board!

6 pk. wooden pencils (please don't write names on them!)

2 soft pink erasers

1-24 pk. Crayola Crayons (plus 1 box for home)

1 pair blunt-end scissors

1-8 oz. Elmer's White Liquid School Glue

6 glue sticks (please don't write names on them!)

1 highlighter, any color (one will last all year)

4 or 6 pack of dry-erase markers (chisel)

1 pair of over-the-ear headphones

1 backpack (not on wheels)

1 box of facial tissues

Last Name A-H (2) rolls of paper towels

Last Name I-P Zip-Lock Storage bags (1) box of sandwich size and (1) box of gallon size

Last Name Q-Z (2) Clorox Disinfecting Wipes

### **PURCHASE FROM YOUR TEACHER IN AUGUST (around \$15)**

\*Heavy Duty vinyl **Pencil Case** (reuse the one from kindergarten if in good shape)

\*2-pocket Heavy Duty Poly **Folder** and inserts for classwork and homework

\***Math/Writing/Reading Journals:** 3 each Blue No. 8037

\***Spelling Journal:** 1 each of Green No. 4037

### **PURCHASE AND KEEP AT HOME:**

2 rolls of Clear Contac Paper (workbooks will need to be covered)

1 box of crayons for homework

Thanks So Much,  
Mrs. Chamberlain

## SUGGESTED FIRST GRADE SUMMER READING LIST

Any Level 1 or 2 book from the following series:

Hello Reading  
Ready to Read Series  
Step into Reading  
I Can Read  
All Aboard Reading

Any books from these series:

Henry and Mudge	Cynthia Rylant
Frog and Toad	Arnold Lobel
Amelia Bedelia	Peggy Parish
Madeline	Ludwig Bemelmans
George and Martha	James Marshall
Arthur	Marc Brown
Nate the Great	Marjorie Sharmat
Cam Jansen	David Adler

Also any book by the following authors:

Allen Say	Mercer Mayer
Anno	Paul Zelinsky
Arnold Lobel	Robert McCloskey
Bernard Waber	Sarah Stewart
Bill Martin	Susan Meddaugh
Bill Peet	Tomie de Paola
Jan Brett	Mark Teague
Chris Van Allsburg	
David McPhail	
David Shannon	
Don Freeman	
Dr. Seuss	
Edward Marshall	
Eric Carle	
Ezra Jack Keats	
Frank Asch	
Gail Gibbons	
H.A. Rey	
James Marshall	
Jan Brett	
Janell Cannon	
Judith Viorst	
Katherine Holabird	
Kevin Henkes	
Laura Numeroff	
Lauren Child	

**FIRST GRADE SUMMER READING LOG**

**\*Collected the first day of school**

**\*Allow your reader to copy the Titles**

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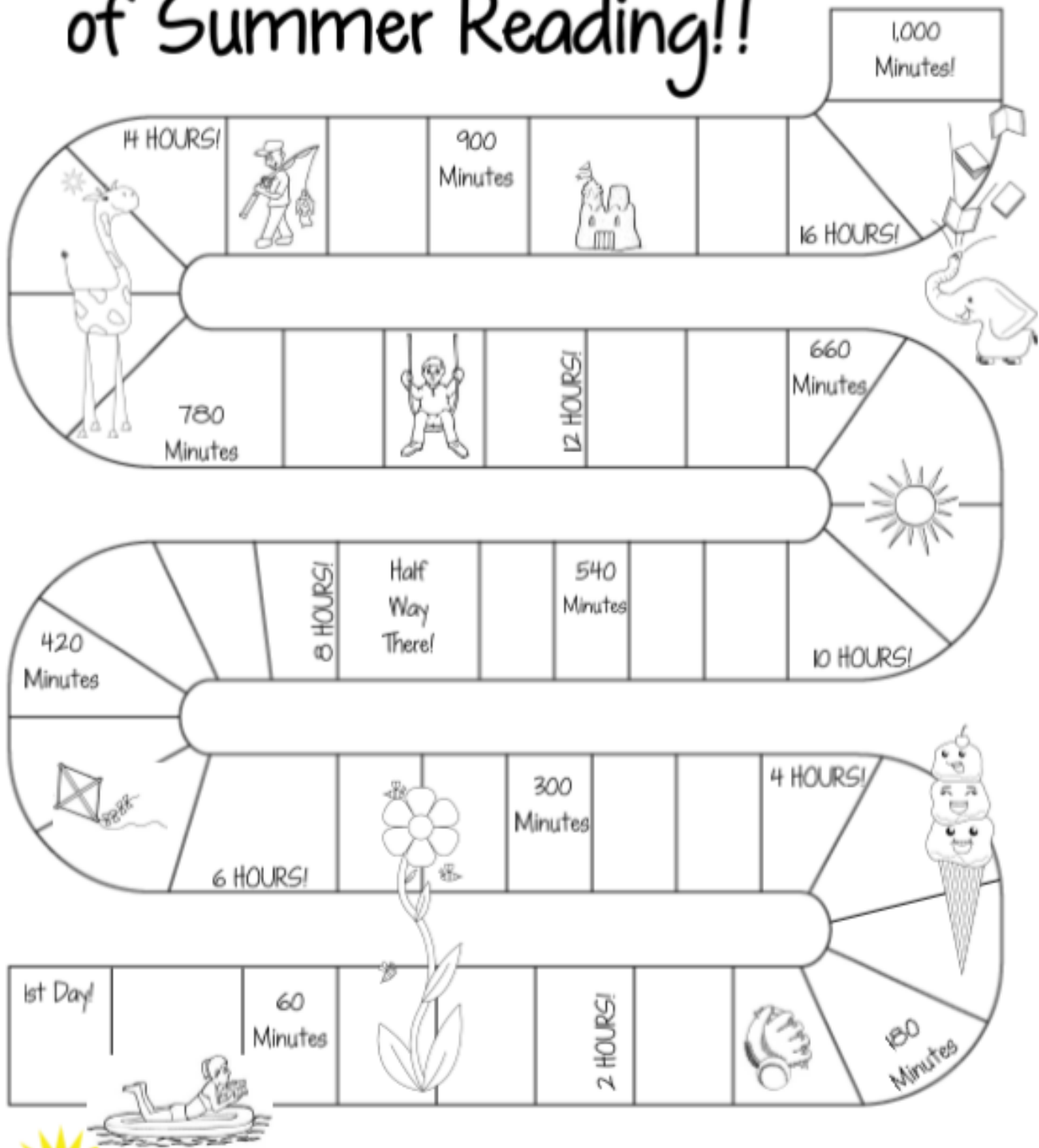


FRY LIST

LIST 1	LIST 2	LIST 3	LIST 4
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of	one	up	no
and	had	other	way
a	by	about	could
to	words	out	people
in	but	many	my
is	not	then	than
you	what	them	first
that	all	these	water
it	were	so	been
he	we	some	called
was	when	her	who
for	your	would	oil
on	can	make	sit
are	said	like	now
as	there	him	find
with	use	into	long
his	an	time	down
they	each	has	day
I	which	look	did
at	she	two	get
be	do	more	come
this	how	write	made
have	their	go	may
from	if	see	part

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# 1,000 Minutes of Summer Reading!!



Experience • Enrich • Extend

Color in one box for every 20 minutes you read.