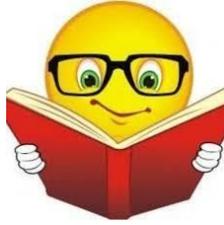


Alhuda Academy

2019-2020

Summer Reading



For Students Entering SECOND GRADE

Asalaamu Alaikum Dear Alhuda Academy Parents. This is our Summer Reading Program. We have used the Worcester Public School system as a guide to create this program at Alhuda Academy.

Our intent is to nurture both the habits of good reading and the love of reading for the sake of reading. Summer reading is required of our students. The choice of what to read is up to parents and students. Please check to see if the book is Islamically appropriate. Ask a librarian for help locating the books. Also, the books that are highlighted in purple, can be found on getepic.com. Epic, is a digital reading platform.

Islamic Books and Authors:

More Quran Stories for Kids by Saniyasnain Khan

First Fast by Uthman Hutchinson (from the Islamic Reading for Children series)

Ibn Batuta- Son of the Might Eagle by Abd-al-Rahman Azzam

Cheng Ho: Admiral of the East by Julia Marshall

Umar and the Bully by Shabana Mir

Tauhid for Children by Noriza Omar

The Attic and Gone Fishing both by Uthman Hutchinson

The World of Our Little Friends, he Ants by Harun Yahya

Summer Reading List:

Author	Book Title
Ken Roberts	Thumb and the Bad Guys
David Shanon	The Bad Case of Stripes

James Burks	Bird and Squirrel
Mary Pope Osborne	The Magic Tree House
Barbara deRubertis	Lulu's Lemonade
Grace Hansen	The Sun
Anne Golightly	Amelia Earhart: Female Aviator

Summer Reading Projects

For each of the books you read this summer, choose a different assignment from the choices listed below.

1. Picnic Lunch: Create a sandwich model of the most important parts of your book.

Use a separate sheet of paper for each sandwich layer or use colored construction paper for each sandwich layer. On the top slice (the top piece of bread) write the title, author, and your name. On the lettuce, write a brief summary of the book (Tell what happened, to whom it happened, and how it ended. Was the person like you or different from you? How so?) On the turkey slice describe the plot (was was the main problem the character had and how was it solved?) On the bottom slice (the bottom piece of bread) draw your favorite scene from the story.

2. Tell me a Story

Write a paragraph telling about the book you read. Include the title, author, main characters, setting, problem and solution.

3. Make a puppet

Make a puppet of a favorite character from one of the books that you read. You may use a sock or a paper bag. Write 5-6 sentences about the story.

4. Be a set designer

Select an interesting setting from your book. Make a sketch of the setting and create a model of the setting using a shoebox. Design the shoe box as if it is a room from the story. Write a paragraph that tells WHY you chose this setting. You may include characters from the story in your shoebox setting.

5. Be a star

Using a video camera or webcam, create a script for your favorite part of the book and then, using a video camera or webcam, record yourself and/or others, acting out your favorite part. Be sure you are dressed as your character and try to make the setting similar to the book. At the end, summarize the book and tell why the scene you acted out is your favorite. You may do this with the camera or you may write it on paper.

Parents can help!

It is very important to help your child understand summer reading can be both fun and beneficial. Children who have a habit of reading not only learn to be better readers but they also perform better in school and receive higher grades.

Summer reading keeps your child's brain working over the summer. With the right attitude, it can be enjoyable and relaxing.

Tips to help your child enjoy reading:

1. Set the PACE!

Lead by example. Let your child see YOU reading each day.

2. Find a PLACE!

Provide a space in your home with lots of different reading materials like books, newspapers, magazines, travel brochures, a dictionary, and/or a thesaurus.

3. Don't make it HARD!

Find time to read. Share a book with your children. Keep one with you in the car or your purse so that you can read and discuss while you are "out and about".

4. Get a Library Card!

The library is full of FREE reading opportunities and offers a quiet, air conditioned place to share a book! Get your child's library card ready in the summer so he/ she can use it when the libby comes to school every month.