

Summer Assignment 2023

Dear Parents,

Over the summer, it is important for your child to continue practicing their literacy skills, both in reading and writing. Enclosed is a list of reading skills they should consider when reading this summer and two writing journals to be **completed and returned**.

Reading:

Please read different books throughout the summer.

Read both aloud and silently

- 1. Practice making connections (text to text, self, and world)**
- 2. Practice making predictions.**

Writing:

Enclosed are two journals. **Each week** your child should write **2 times** in the journal. Then either **mail** his/her **first journal** back to Ms. McNierney at AHS when it is finished. (She will write back to them so they get mail) or bring it to school in September. The **last journal** can be **brought to third grade** on the first day of school.

Checklist for Writing

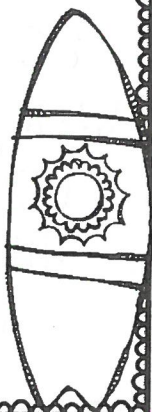
- 1. Capital letters for beginning sentences and proper nouns**
- 2. Complete sentences with great description words**
- 3. Punctuation**
- 4. Super sentences (who, what, why, when)**

Have a wonderful summer!!!!!!

Ms. McNierney

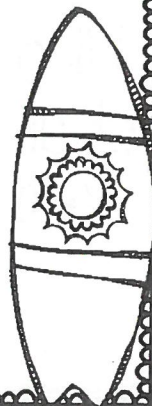
READING BUDDY:

List 4 words
that describe
the main
character.



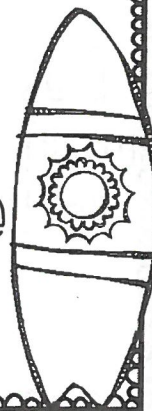
READING BUDDY:

Do you think
you would be
friends with
the main
character?



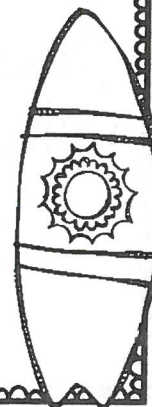
READING BUDDY:

Is there a
lesson to be
learned in the
story?



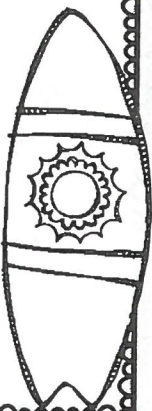
READING BUDDY:

Tell about 3
events that
happened in
the story.



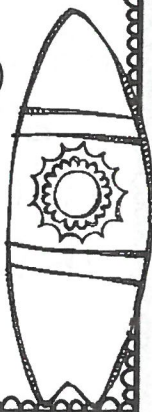
READING BUDDY:

What's your
favorite part
of the story?



READING BUDDY:

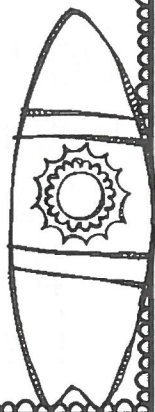
If you had to
write a new
ending, what
would it be?



Questions to Discuss with an Adult

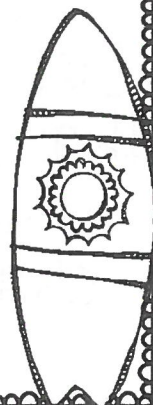
READING BUDDY:

Who are the characters in the story?



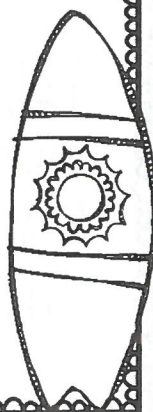
READING BUDDY:

Does this story remind you of a different story?



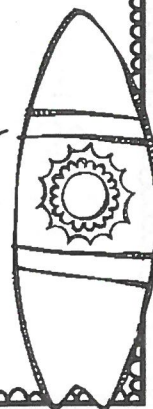
READING BUDDY:

Describe the setting in the story.



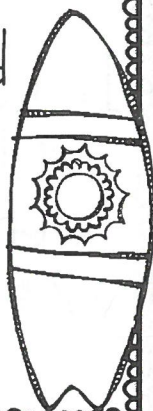
READING BUDDY:

Describe the main character in the story.



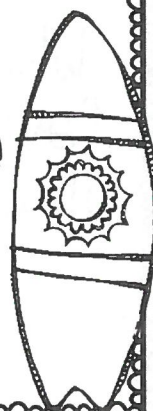
READING BUDDY:

Have you read any other stories like this before?

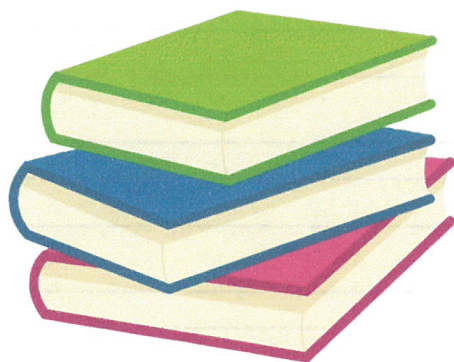


READING BUDDY:

What clues does the title give you?



Journal One



Journal One June 19 - July 28

Week One (June 19 - 23) Please use all the lines!!

Write about one thing you did or went to this week. Add details, such as; where, what day of the week, people's names, what you did, and how you felt.

Handwriting practice lines for the first section. Each set consists of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line. There are 10 such sets of lines provided for writing.

Make a list of **ten** things you would see at the park. Please use **commas**.

Handwriting practice lines for the second section. Each set consists of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line. There are 10 such sets of lines provided for writing.

Talk to an adult about the book you are reading> Use the Buddy Question page to guide you.

Week Two (June 26 - 30)

Help your family outside this week. Then write about what you did to help. Add details.

[illegible]

Make a list of ten verbs that you would like to do at the beach. Use commas.

A sheet of handwriting practice paper featuring four sets of horizontal lines. Each set consists of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line, providing a guide for letter height and placement.

Talk to an adult about the book you are reading> Use the Buddy Question page to guide you.

Week Three (July 3 - July 7)

Would you rather have your birthday on July 4th or Thanksgiving? Why? Why not on the other holiday?

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline. There are 10 sets of these lines for writing practice.

[illegible]

A series of horizontal lines for handwriting practice. Each set consists of a solid top line, a dashed midline, and a dotted line for ascenders. There are four such sets of lines arranged vertically.



Handwriting practice lines consisting of three sets of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline.

Make a list of 10 three syllable words. (Use commas to separate them)

Handwriting practice lines consisting of three sets of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline.

Talk to an adult about the book you are reading. Use the Buddy Question page to guide you.

Week Five (July 17 - July 21)

Would you rather ride in an airplane or a boat? Explain why you picked one over the other.



Handwriting practice lines consisting of 10 sets of three horizontal lines (top solid, middle dashed, bottom solid).

Kites fly. List 15 other things that fly. (Use commas to separate your ideas)

Handwriting practice lines consisting of 5 sets of three horizontal lines (top solid, middle dashed, bottom solid).

Talk to an adult about the book you are reading. Use the Buddy Question page to guide you.

(July 24 - 28)

Write the steps to how to brush your teeth. Remember to use **transition** words such as; **then, next, and finally.**

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed middle line. There are 10 sets of these lines for writing practice.

Then brush your teeth **following your steps**, did it work? _____

You finished your first journal!!!!

- 1. Practice writing out an envelope with two addresses; mine and yours.
- 2. Mail it to me, and I will write you back or bring it to school in September.

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Journal Two



Journal Two Week Two (August 1 - 4)

Practice writing the alphabet backward neatly two times.

Handwriting practice lines for writing the alphabet backward. The page contains four sets of three horizontal lines (top solid, middle dashed, bottom solid) for practice.

Think about a book you read this week. Make one or two connections to other books you have read. Tell the two books and how they were connected.

Example: characters, setting, problem

Handwriting practice lines for writing about book connections. The page contains four sets of three horizontal lines (top solid, middle dashed, bottom solid) for practice.

Week Three (August 7 - 11)

Tell about a trip you have taken or would like to take. Where, who, what etc.

This image shows a full page of handwriting practice paper. It features ten identical sets of horizontal guidelines arranged vertically. Each set includes three lines: a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line, providing a structured space for practicing letter formation and alignment. The paper is otherwise blank, with no text or markings other than the printed lines.

Make a list of 15 adjectives/nouns of things you would see in your bedroom.

Example: fluffy pillow

Use commas.



Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline.

Talk to an adult about the book you are reading> Use the Buddy Question page to guide you.

Week Three (August 14 - 18)

Would you rather swim in a pool or a lake? Why one over the other?

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline.

Practice spelling proper nouns, such as; friend's names, last names, and favorite places. Remember capitalization, spelling, and neat handwriting.

Use commas to separate.

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed middle line. There are four sets of these lines.

Have you had a playdate this summer? Tell me about it, including who, what, and where. If not write about something you did with your family>

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This image shows a sheet of handwriting practice paper. It contains four identical sets of horizontal lines, each set consisting of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line. These lines are designed to help children learn the correct height and placement of letters. The paper is otherwise blank, with no text or other markings.

Week Four (August 21 - 25)

This image shows a full page of handwriting practice paper. It features ten identical rows of horizontal guidelines. Each row is composed of three lines: a solid top line, a dashed midline, and a solid bottom line. The lines are evenly spaced across the entire page, providing a structured environment for practicing letter formation and alignment. There is no text or other markings on the paper.

Great job finishing your journal. Please bring it to third grade on the first day of school.