



CHRISTIAN UNIFIED SCHOOLS OF SAN DIEGO  
2011 SUMMER READING

4TH GRADE

Summertime provides students with great opportunities to expand their world through reading! Below is a list of books for students entering 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Make time this summer for students to read often. Incoming 4<sup>th</sup> graders are required to read a minimum of two books from the lists below. Of course, you may always read more!

Your local libraries and church libraries offer many wonderful books for children and often have motivating summer programs to encourage reading. *Take a look and read a book!*

**Fantasy**

*The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* by Frank Baum  
*The Indian in the Cupboard* by Lynne Reid Banks

**Fiction**

*Little Pilgrim's Progress* by Helen Taylor  
*Christopher Mouse: The Tale of a Small Traveler*  
by William Wise  
*Tale of Three Trees: A Traditional Folktale* by  
Angela Elwell Hunt  
*The Trumpet of the Swan* by E.B. White  
*Gulliver's Travels* by Johanna Spyri  
*Heidi* by Johanna Spyri  
*Dogsong* by Gary Paulsen  
*White Fang* by Jack London  
*Mandie* series by Lois G. Leppard  
*The Cooper Kids Adventures* series by  
Frank Peretti  
*Bobbsey Twins* series by Laura L. Hope  
*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*  
series by Roald Dahl  
*The Cricket in Times Square* by George Selden  
*The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burdett  
*The Good Dog* by Avi  
*Black Beauty* by Anna Sewell  
*Heat* by Mike Lupica  
*Dive* by Gordon Koman

**Focus on Newbery Medal Winners**

*From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E.*  
*Frankweiler* by E.L. Konigsburg  
*The Door in the Wall* Marguerite de Angeli

*Call It Courage* by Armstrong Sperry  
*King of the Wind* by Marguerite Henry  
*Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices*  
by Paul Fleischman

**Historical Fiction**

*Kidwitness Tales* series by various authors  
*Dear America* series by various authors  
*Trailblazer Books* series by  
Dave and Neta Jackson  
*American Girls* series by various authors  
*Freedom Crossing* by Margaret G. Clark  
*Freedom Train* by Dorothy Sterling  
*Little House* series by Laura Ingalls Wilder  
*The Liberation of Gabriel King* by K. L. Going  
*Here Lies the Librarian* by Richard Peck  
*Early Sunday Morning: The Pearl Harbor Diary*  
of Amber Billows by Barry Denenberg

**Humor**

*The Best School Year Ever* by Barbara Robinson  
*How to Eat Fried Worms* by Thomas Rockwell

**Mystery**

*Encyclopedia Brown* series by Donald J. Sobol  
*A-Z Mysteries* series by Ron Roy  
*The Stolen Necklace* by Dave Gustaveson  
*The Missing Video* by Dave Gustaveson

**Poetry**

*Where the Sidewalk Ends: Poems and Drawings*  
by Shel Silverstein

