

**Covenant Christian Academy 2009
Incoming Grade 5 Summer Reading List**

Students must choose 2 of the following books for summer reading:

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry

The Borrowers by Mary Norton

Mrs. Frisby & the Rats of NIMH by Robert C. O'Brien

Dogsong by Gary Paulsen

The Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speare

Written Assignment:

Each student is required to read 2 books and keep a journal on the books. For each book, the student will write a journal entry for each chapter as they finish reading it. The journal entry will comprise 3-4 sentences, in which the student can write about any of the following:

- Something they were wondering about the story, characters, or setting
- Questions for the author about how he or she chose to write the story
- A change they noticed in the characters and how they think this will shape the story
- Something important that they noticed about the story, and how they think this important part will impact the story as a whole
- How they relate to/are similar to the character and how this helps their understanding of the story
- A powerful description, image, or passage and why the student found it so compelling

Students who have chosen to do their journal entry on the blogs must do this assignment, only they will post entries to their blogs. The blogs must be complete and posted online before the first day of school.

Students who have done the written journal must turn it in on the first day of school.