

YESHIVAH OF FLATBUSH

Elementary School

הישיבה דפלטבוש - בית הספר היסודי



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Dear Parents,

The 2015-16 school year is drawing to a close. Our teachers and students have worked very hard all year. Your children are leaving school this year as better readers and writers and in order to continue this intellectual growth, it is very important for them to read DAILY and write often. Practice is necessary in order to master strategies that are critical to the continued success of the reading and writing process. Summer reading is an important activity for your child. It encourages students to continue learning while still providing them with fun and enjoyment. What helps make reading entertaining for children is allowing them the freedom to *choose* books that speak to their unique interests.

The Summer Reading Assignment is simple and as follows:

Incoming 2nd grade - Students should read a minimum of 4 books this summer.

2 fiction and 2 nonfiction plus Incoming 2nd Grade Reading Response Log.

Incoming 3rd grade - Students should read a minimum of 3 books this summer.

1 fiction and 1 nonfiction plus 3rd book (either fiction or nonfiction) plus Incoming 3rd Grade Reading Response log.

Incoming 4th grade – Students should read a minimum of 3 books this summer.

1 fiction and 1 nonfiction plus 3rd book (choice of either - fiction or nonfiction) plus Incoming 4th Grade Reading Response log.

*Additional copies of the Reading Logs will be available on the Yeshivah's website.

We are including your child's independent reading level below so you may be able to locate books this summer that he/she may enjoy reading independently. Additionally, we are including the name of an app available from the App store for iPhone that allows you to scan the bar code on any children's book so you can determine the book's level. The App is called *Literacy Leveler*.

Please join us in providing the necessary encouragement and support to make reading an important part of your child's wonderful summer!

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

CURRENT INDEPENDENT READING LEVEL: _____

Wishing you a happy, healthy summer!

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Name: _____ Independent Reading Level: _____

My Summer Reading Log



We've learned that the best way for children to continue to succeed and grow as readers is to read often. You will have to keep a short Summer Reading Log. Please set aside some time to read for pleasure over vacation. You will need to write a response on 3 books that you read throughout the summer. Select a different "sentence starter" for each response. Responses should be at least 2-3 sentences. Each book should be recorded in a separate box on the Reading Log. Reading Logs will be collected at the beginning of the new school year.

Sentence Starters

#1- I can't believe...	#2- This reminds me of....	#3- I can make a connection...	#4- Three things I learned are...
#5- Summarize what you read.	#6- What did you learn from the text?	#7- I would/would not recommend this book because...	#8- My favorite part of the book was... Why?
#9- The main idea and 3 details of this text are...	#10- List 3 new words you learned from the book and explain them.	#11- What was the main problem of the story and how was it solved?	#12- Come up with a different ending for the story.

BOOK #1

Title: _____ Genre: _____
Author: _____ Number of Pages: _____

For this book I chose to use sentence starter # ____.

Response: _____

Parent Signature: _____

BOOK #2

Title: _____ Genre: _____
Author: _____ Number of Pages: _____

For this book I chose to use sentence starter # ____.

Response: _____

Parent Signature: _____

BOOK #3

Title: _____ Genre: _____
Author: _____ Number of Pages: _____

For this book I chose to use sentence starter # ____.

Response: _____

Parent Signature: _____