Summer Reading 2018

Grades 3-5
I love Summer . . . Except . . .

I love all the fun
that summertime brings—

except, of course
just one or two things:

Except for the ticks
and spiders and bees.

Except for the pollen
from grasses and trees.

Except for the sunburn
and rashes from heat,

and sidewalks so hot
they burn up your feet.

Except for sour grapes
and melons with seeds,

and slithery snakes
that hide in the weeds.

Except for mosquitoes
that suck on your skin,

and all of the flies
that let themselves in.

Except for the warm nights
when I sleep in a cot.

Except for the weather
that’s humid and hot.

Except for the smog,
the dust, and the grime...
Cannonball
By Dave Crawley

The lifeguard won't let me go back in the pool.
He tells me I've broken his number one rule.
He didn't approve of my summertime smash—
The Sultan of Soakers, the cannonball splash.

The cannonball calls for an uncommon flair;
with legs tucked beneath me, I soared through the air.
With a splash that would make me the talk of the school,
I think that I just about emptied the pool.

I splashed Mr. Meese and his silly new hat.
I splashed Mrs. Simpkins who called me a brat.
I splashed Suzy Smith from her head to her feet
and even the lifeguard, whose whistle went —tweet!

So now here I sit in the heat of the day.
No running. No splashing. And no way to play.
My friends are all swimming and staying real cool,
but the lifeguard won't let me go back in the pool.
Vacation
By: Mary Ann Hoberman

In my head I hear a humming
Summer, summer, summer’s coming.
Soon we’re going on vacation
But there is a complication
Day by day the problem’s growing-
We don’t know yet where we’re going!

Mother likes the country best,
That’s so she can read and rest.
Dad thinks resting is a bore.
He’s for fishing at the shore.
Sailing is my brother’s pick,
Sailing makes my sister sick.
She says swimming’s much more cool.
Swimming in a swimming pool.
As for me, why, I don’t care.
I’d be happy anyway.

In my head I hear a humming
Summer, summer, summer’s coming.
Soon we’re going on vacation
But there is a complication
Day by day the problem’s growing.
Where oh where will we be going?
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Percy Jackson Series
School of Fear Series
Amulet Series
Tapper Twins Series
The Trials of Apollo Series

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Summer Math & Reading Bingo

Participate in the MLK summer BINGO challenges!

Grades 3-5 Reading Bingo - Click **HERE**.

Grades 3-5 Math Bingo - Click **HERE**.
Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge

- Read books and log your minutes on the Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge website. Click [here](http://scholastic.com/summer) for the website.
- Win digital badges, unlock stories, and earn rewards!
- Help our school be BEST in the state!
- Click [here](http://scholastic.com/summer) for summer reading booklists by Scholastic.
Visit the North Edison Public Library!

This summer’s theme: Libraries Rock!

Join the summer reading programs at the library!

Libraries Rock!: Summer Reading Club 2018

June 4 - August 17
Readers of all ages will explore all things musical this summer as Edison Public Library presents “Libraries Rock” during their 2018 summer. The reading program is open to young people, preschool through young adult, with weekly drawings and a special pin and ribbon award to all who reach the first 12 books read. Parents with preschoolers may read to their child to allow them to participate. Weekly programs will also be posted on our Events page.
Visit the Menlo Park School Library!

- Monday-Friday  July 5 - July 31
- 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (must arrive by 10:00 a.m.)
- Come enjoy a book, explore Raz-kids and other programs on a computer, and participate in fun literacy games and activities!
- It’s FREE!
on your mark, get set... READ!