



# Summer Reading – Grade 5

## Required Reading (*books must be read prior to the first day of school*)

*Out of My Mind* by Sharon Draper (ISBN #978-1416971719)

*Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen (ISBN #978-1416936473)

### Required Reading Assignment: *Out of My Mind*

Students must answer three of the following short essay questions. **Everyone must answer question #1.** Each question must be answered on separate sheets of paper in the student's own handwriting with a minimum of five sentences in the paragraph. The student's name and title of the book should be at the top of each page. **The completed questions are due the first day of school.**

1. As soon as you finish Chapter 28, write your response to the events. Write your response before reading any more of the book.
2. Think of an important event in the book. How would the story have changed if this event had not happened?
3. Who is your favorite character? Why is this character your favorite?
4. Write a part for you in the story. What would your relationship be to the main character? What would the purpose of your part be?
5. If you could ask one of the characters a question, who would you ask, what would you ask, and why?
6. Think about a supporting character in your book. How would the story be different if that character did not exist?

### Required Reading Assignment: *Hatchet*

Students must be prepared to take a Reading Counts test one of the first two days of school. This book will then be used later in the year as part of an author study.