

# Islamic Academy of New England Summer Reading List Grade 4 & 5



## Poetry

Hopkins, Lee Bennett.

**Behind the museum door. Abrams, 2007**

This collection of poems touches on the sights and sensations a group of children experience on a field trip.

Park, Linda Sue.

**Tap dancing on the roof : sijo (poems). Clarion, 2007**

Presents twenty-six sijo, traditional Korean syllabic poems, on "inside" and "outside" themes.

Shapiro, Karen Jo.

**I must go down to the beach again: and other poems.**

**Charlesbridge, 2007**

Presents a collection of twenty-three poetic parodies transformed from the original works.

Sidman, Joyce.

**This is just to say : poems of apology and forgiveness.**

**Houghton Mifflin, 2007**

Poems of apology written by sixth-grade students with a collection of responses in poetry form.

## Upper Grade Series

Colfer, Eoin. **Artemis Fowl.** Miramax

Cooper, Susan. **Dark Is Rising.** Aladdin

Howe, James. **Sebastian Barth.** Aladdin

Lasky, Kathryn. **Guardians of Ga'hoole.**

Lowry, Lois. **Anastasia Krupnik.** Yearling

Nimmo, Jenny. **Charlie Bone.** Egmont

Osborne, Mary Pope. **Tales From the Odyssey.** Hyperion.

Skuryznski, Gloria. **Mysteries in Our National Parks.** National Geographic

Van Draanen, Wendelin. **Sammy Keyes Mysteries.** Yearling

Various authors. **Dear America.** Scholastic

Various authors. **Scientists in the Field.** Houghton Mifflin

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## Fiction

Clements, Andrew. **No talking. Simon & Schuster, 2007**

The noisy fifth grade boys of Laketon Elementary School challenge the loud fifth grade girls to a “no talking” contest.

Corder, Zizou. **Lionboy : the chase : the second book in a trilogy. Dial Books,2004**

After saving the lions from their evil trainer, Charlie, a boy with the ability to speak the language of cats, goes to Venice to search for his parents and solve the mystery of their kidnapping with help from Bulgarian King Boris.

Curtis, Christopher Paul. **Elijah of Buxton. Scholastic, 2007**

Elijah Freeman, the first free-born child in Buxton, Canada, which is a haven for slaves fleeing the American South in 1859, uses his wits and skills to try to bring to justice the lying preacher who has stolen money that was to be used to buy a family’s freedom.

Fardell, John. **Seven professor’s of the Far North. G.P. Putnam’s, 2005**

Eleven-year-old Sam finds himself involved in a dangerous adventure when he and his new friends, brother and sister Ben and Zara, set off for the Arctic to try and rescue the siblings’ great-uncle and five other professors from the mad scientist holding them prisoner.

Hulme, John. **The glitch in sleep. Bloomsbury, 2007**

When twelve-year-old Becker Drane is recruited by The Seems, a parallel universe that runs everything in The World, he must fix a disastrous glitch in the Department of Sleep that threatens everyone’s ability to ever fall asleep again.

Kent, Rose. **Kimchi and Calamari. Harper Collins, 2007**

After getting caught lying on a school project about who his grandfather was, fourteen-year-old Joseph Claderno is forced to redo the assignment and learns more about his adopted Italian-American family and Korean heritage.

Selznick, Brian. **The invention of Hugo Cabret. Scholastic, 2007**

When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toyseller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.

Stewart, Trenton Lee. **The mysterious Benedict Society. Little, Brown, 2007**

Four children are selected for a secret mission that requires them to go undercover at the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened.

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## Non-Fiction

Armstrong, Jennifer. **The American story: 100 true tales from American history. Knopf, 2006**

Contains 100 short stories about real people and events in American history, arranged chronologically from 1565 to 2000, including the lost colony of Roanoke, Pocahontas, the Chicago fire, and the 2000 presidential election.

Bradley, Timothy J. **Paleo sharks : survival of the strangest. Chronicle Books, 2007**

Detailed illustrations and text describe various species of sharks known to have lived during prehistoric times.

Burns, Loree Griffin. **Tracking trash: flotsam, jetsam, and the science of ocean motion.**

**(Scientists in the Field) Houghton Mifflin, 2007**

Profiles two oceanographers who, with the help of computers, predicted the landfall of floating objects using ocean currents.

Fleischman, Sid. **Escape: the story of the great Houdini. Greenwillow, 2006**

A biography of the magician, ghost chaser, aviator, and king of escape, whose amazing feats are still remembered.

Fradin, Judith Bloom. **Volcanoes. National Geographic, 2007**

Text and photographs convey the power of volcanic activity including their causes and impact on people.

Eyewitness accounts are included to explain the history and science involved.

Robb, Don. **Ox, house, stick : the history of our alphabet. Charlesbridge, 2007**

Presents the origins of each letter of the English alphabet.

Shoveller, Herb. **Ryan and Jimmy and the well in Africa that brought them together. Kids Can, 2006**

Chronicles the friendship of Ryan Hreljac and Akana Jimmy, who became pen pals after Ryan, a Canadian boy, raised money to build a well in Jimmy's village in Uganda, and explains how they became brothers.

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BOOKS I ENJOYED: MY READING LOG

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