



Fifth Grade Summer Reading List

Fiction Titles (both must be read):

- *Vinegar Boy* by Alberta Hawse
- *Huguenot Garden* by Douglas M. Jones III

Bible Selection:

- The book of Colossians

Summer Reading Assignments for 5th Grade

Fiction Titles: Rising 5th grade students should read both titles and complete the attached summer reading form for both.

Bible Selection: Students will read the selection listed and complete three (3) SOAP journal entries based on this scripture passage.

All summer reading assignments are due on the first Friday of the school year.

Summer Reading Form for 5th Grade: Fiction

Name _____

Date _____

Title of Story _____

Author _____

Directions: Please see the information below about each paragraph and your illustration. Please write your paragraphs in complete sentences with cursive handwriting on notebook paper. Typed reports are not allowed.

_____ (25 pts.) **Paragraph 1:** Title, Author, and Description of your main characters. *(Write 5 or more sentences)

_____ (25 pts.) **Paragraph 2:** Setting (Tell when and where the story took place.) Include the problem of the story and the solution. *(Write 5 or more sentences)

_____ (25 pts.) **Paragraph 3:** Write the Moral of the story and include a Bible Verse, also include- what you liked most, what did you like least, and what would you change. (You cannot say that you wouldn't make any changes to the story)

_____ (25 pts.) **Illustration & Paragraph about your Favorite Part of the Book:** *(Write 5 or more sentences)

Give this story a rating by circling one sentence.

I did not enjoy the book.

The book was okay but not great.

It was very good!

I really loved this book!

Please submit this form to your teacher during the first week of school.

S.O.A.P Journal Instructions

God's word is living and applicable to our lives at all ages and stages of life. In order to properly understand and apply God's word to our lives, we must seek to study His and hear what truths He has for us. We can do this by rightly dividing God's word, and spending time meditating on the scriptures that speak to our heart. In order to help our students divide God's word this summer, we would like for them to use the SOAP Bible study method. This method is simple but effective. Students will read their assigned Bible reading and complete the appropriate amount of SOAP journal entries for their grade level.

SOAP is an acronym for:

- Scripture
- Observation
- Application
- Prayer

Step 1 - S is for Scripture

After reading your assigned Bible passage, you will pick a verse that really spoke to your heart or stuck out to you. You want to keep this simple.

You will write out the verse and reread the verse a few times slowly. Take your time in this step.

An example verse could be Philippians 4:8

“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable-if anything is excellent or praiseworthy-think about such things.” - Philippians 4:8

Step 2 - O is for Observation

Observation is about what stood out to you about the scripture you chose, and what is the purpose of that scripture.

Take a few minutes and really ponder the verse. Write down a few truths you feel God is wanting you to learn. They can be warnings, truths, principles, commands, and more.

*You can take this to the next level and use a Bible Dictionary, Bible Commentary, or a Strong's Concordance. This is getting more advanced, but the extra effort is very rewarding.

Step 3 - A is for Application

The application section is more personal. This is a time where you think about what you observed and ask yourself if you are applying these truths in your life. If you are, list some examples of how. If you aren't, what are some ways that you could begin applying them?

Write down practical ways you can apply what you learned and make the Word come alive in your life.

Step 4 - P is for Prayer

Consider the last three steps and talk to God about it! Tell Him how the verse impacted you and how you desire to apply His Word to your life. Ask Him for grace, guidance, wisdom, and strength

to help you apply His truths to your life. Write down a prayer that goes along with what you learned from the scripture you chose.

Example:

Dear Father,

Thank you for your truth in your Word. Lord, I ask that you would help me and give me the grace to make you my first in every aspect of my life. That I would be one who seeks hard after your Kingdom and your Righteousness. God help me to trust you. That I don't need to worry about my day or the days to come, but that as I seek You, you will make my path straight. Thank you, Lord, for your love and goodness may it cover me all the days of my life. In the mighty name of Jesus! Amen.

Please print off and use the template below to complete your SOAP Journal Entry(ies).

Name: _____

S.O.A.P Journaling

Date: _____

Passage: _____

Scripture – Verse or verses that stand out to me.

Observation – What is the purpose of this scripture? What is God showing me?

Application – How does this apply to my life? What will I do about it?

Prayer – Thank God, and ask Him for guidance and strength to help you apply His truths.
