

# Summer Reading for Rising 3rd Graders

Hello Families,

Summer is upon us and many carefree adventures await. Knowing how hard each student has worked in 2nd grade it is important to help them retain their skills! Summer reading is an enjoyable way to do that. What better and more relaxing way to unwind after a day at play or when the rain sends you inside than to curl up with a good book!

Your assignment, dear second grader, is as follows:

**Read the book Magic Treehouse: Hour of the Olympics and answer the comprehension guide attached to this packet.** The answers should be written neatly. This is a fun story that can get you excited for all the ancient greek history you will soon learn in third grade!

**Next, choose at least three books from the list below and write a 3-5 sentence summary!** The summary should tell just a little bit about the book, this can include the main characters, setting and main plot. Parents many of these are part of series your child might enjoy!

## Summer Reading List

Boxcar Children - The Hurricane Mystery  
Henry Huggins  
Letters to Levi  
Fairy Tales of the Brother Grimm  
Rabbit Hill  
The Moffats  
Misty of Chincoteague

## Math Resources

### **Don't forget to practice Math too!**

These websites may help, as always, screen anything online before allowing your child access. There are many, many sites & apps that are great I am simply including a few high quality ones. Facts should certainly be one of the big focuses of summer math practice.

The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics - <https://illuminations.nctm.org/> Many games for any concept and suggestions for things like apps.

Connect 4 with Math! - <http://www.shodor.org/interactivate/activities/ArithmeticFour/>

Math Playground - <https://www.mathplayground.com/>

Mr. Nussbaum - <http://mrnussbaum.com/math-for-kids/> (also has learning games for other subjects!)

### **Need help remembering Math practice?**

<https://xtramath.org> offers weekly progress report emails (free signup required)

<https://www.math-drills.com/> offers Math worksheets you can print out

<http://www.k5learning.com/free-math-worksheets> offers Math worksheets you can print out

# **Magic Tree House: Hour of the Olympics**

## Chapter 1

1. Where are Jack and Annie going on this adventure?
2. What are Jack and Annie gathering on these missions and what does Morgan want them to remember?

## Chapter 2

1. What great event was taking place when Jack and Annie got to Greece?
2. Name two things Annie noticed about the people around her.
3. Who was playing the woman on stage?

## Chapter 3

1. What is a philosopher?
2. Who did Jack and Annie show their Master Librarian cards to?
3. Did Plato know the story Jack and Annie needed to find?
4. Who wrote the story?

## Chapter 4

1. Who is the poet?
2. Why can't the poem be read in their land?
3. Where do Jack and Plato go?
4. Where does Annie go?

## Chapter 5

1. Where do athletes train for the Olympics?
2. What do the winners of the Olympics get to wear and what God do they play for?
3. What two things do the Olympians promise to Zeus before they compete?

## Chapter 6

1. What kinds of things were in the Olympic parade?
2. Name some of the sports the athletes compete in.
3. What type of race is the greatest honor to win?
4. Who is the short soldier?

## Chapter 7

1. Why was Jack angry at Annie?
2. What happened when Annie took off her helmet?
3. Did Annie realize she'd been noticed?

## Chapter 8

1. What did the crowd want the guards to do to Annie?
2. What did Jack pull out to save Annie?
3. What came to save Annie?

## Chapter 9

1. Why did Jack close his eyes as he rode in the chariot?
2. Where did the horse pull the chariot after he grew giant feathery wings?
3. How did Annie feel about leaving the horse?

## Chapter 10

1. What story did Jack and Annie bring to Morgan?

2. What did Morgan mean when she said, "your friends are in the night sky"?
  
3. So what are all of the people in the stories they brought to Morgan?