



READING

In grade five reading, your child will continue reading and writing, but in addition to stories and literature, he will read more texts that provide facts and background knowledge in areas including science and social studies. He will read more challenging texts and be asked questions that will require he to refer back to what he has read. There will also be an increased emphasis on building a strong vocabulary so that your child can read and understand more challenging material. Your child will be expected to understand and clearly summarize what he has learned from readings and classroom discussions, referring to specific evidence and details from the text. Activities in these areas may include:

- Drawing inferences from the text, citing evidence from the text and including a relevant quote.
- Summarizing the text, including the theme in the original piece.
- Identifying and describing text structures the author uses in a text.
- Analyzing different points of view used in multiple accounts of the same event or topic.
- Identifying reasons or evidences that support the author's key points.
- Using context clues to help unlock the meaning of unknown words/phrases.
- Analyze how visual and multimedia elements contribute to the meaning, tone, or beauty of a text and support the author's message.
- Compare/contrast the approach of similar themes and topics from stories of the same genre.

