

Journey Summer Reading List 2021-2022

All Journey students must read *The Book of Romans* and <u>any 2</u> of the books from the list below. Students must also answer and complete the reading evaluation form for both books found on page 7 and 8. Use one form for each book. The forms are due by the first day of school.

# Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

A story of a young Black boy's search for the father he has never met. Following clues from the few possessions he carries that were his momma's, Bud escapes from a difficult life in Flint to Grand Rapids, Michigan to find his father.

# Frindle by Andrew Clements

A story of Nick Allen and his desire to show his teacher Mrs. Granger that words can come from anywhere. Even though Nick is known to be the funny guy, especially by turning the thermostat up in his classroom, this is one thing he is serious about and he is determined to make a pen into a "frindle".

## The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick

The novel follows an orphan boy Hugo who, after the death of his uncle, lives by himself in the walls of a Paris train station, repairing the clocks. There are mysteries in Hugo's life which surround the death of his father and the damaged automaton that Hugo and his father have both tried to repair. These mysteries become intertwined with the fate of silent film director and illusionist Georges Méliès, who owns a toy shop at the train station.

## The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate

Ivan is an easygoing gorilla. Living at the Exit 8 Big Top Mall and Video Arcade for 27 years, he's grown accustomed to humans watching him through the glass walls of his domain. He rarely misses his life in the jungle. Then he meets Ruby, a baby elephant taken from her family, and she makes Ivan see their home—and his own art—through new eyes. When Ruby arrives, change comes with her, and it's up to Ivan to make it a change for the better.

## The Rising Tiger by Kate DiCamillo

The Tiger Rising is a National Book Award Finalist. Following the death of his mother, 12-yearold Rob Horton packs away his grief the way he packs his clothes when he and his father move to Lister, Florida. However, Rob's discovery of a caged tiger in the woods and the friendship of an angry girl named Sistine begin to crack his emotional shell. As their friendship grows, Rob and Sistine face a difficult decision to free the tiger or leave it caged. Their choice has far-reaching consequences

## The Secret Garden by Francis Hodgson Burnett

The story focuses on Mary Lennox, a sickly, foul-tempered, unsightly little girl who loves no one and whom no one loves. She meets her sickly cousin, Colin, and clashes with the boy, but they eventually bond after discovering a secret garden in the manor, locked behind a gate. Together with a local boy, they transform the garden and become close friends, transforming each other in the process.

### Matilda by Roald Dahl

The book tells the story of a precocious little girl who is ignored by her parents and bullied by the headmistress of her school. She discovers an amazing ability and turns her fortunes around.

### The Toothpaste Millionaire by Jean Merrill

In this award-winning story, two classmates set out to create affordable toothpaste and become accidental millionaires! Sixth-grader Rufus Mayflower is betting that he can make a whole gallon of toothpaste for the same price as one tube from the store. There's just one problem, he has to solve real-life mathematical equations first! With help from his good friend Kate Mackinstrey, can these two entrepreneurs keep up with the high demand for their popular product?

#### Caddie Woodlawn by Carol Ryrie Brink

Caddie Woodlawn is a real adventurer. She'd rather hunt than sew and plow than bake, and tries to beat her brother's dares every chance she gets. Caddie is friends with Indians, who scare most of the neighbors—neighbors who, like her mother and sisters, don't understand her at all. Caddie is brave, and her story is special because it's based on the life and memories of Carol Ryrie Brink's grandmother, the real Caddie Woodlawn.

#### Savvy by Ingrid Law

A young girl eagerly waits for her savvy, a special gift that will come to her on her birthday. Her savvy proves to be more important than she realized when she and her siblings travel across country in a pink school bus.

#### Number the Stars by Lois Lowery

As the German troops begin their campaign to "relocate" all the Jews of Denmark, Annemarie Johansen's family takes in Annemarie's best friend, Ellen Rosen, and conceals her as part of the family.

## Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt

Doomed to—or blessed with—eternal life after drinking from a magic spring, the Tuck family wanders about trying to live as inconspicuously and comfortably as they can. When ten-year-old Winnie Foster stumbles on their secret, the Tucks take her home and explain why living forever at one age is less of a blessing that it might seem. Complications arise when Winnie is followed by a stranger that wants to market the spring water for a fortune.

### The Incredible Journey by Sheila Burnford

*The Incredible Journey*, by Scottish author Sheila Burnford, is a children's book first published which tells the story of three pets as they travel 300 miles through the Canadian wilderness searching for their beloved masters.

### The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling

*The Jungle Book* is a collection of short stories set in the fascinating jungles of India. Much of the book focuses on Mowgli, a boy who grows up in the jungle. Saved from the jaws of the evil tiger Shere Khan, young Mowgli is adopted by a wolf pack and taught the law of the jungle.

#### Gentle Ben by Walt Morey

Gentle Ben is a bear character created by author Walt Morey and first introduced in 1965. The novel tells the story of the friendship between a large male bear named Ben and a boy named Mark.

#### The Magician's Nephew by CS Lewis

This prequel to the popular first book, *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, follows the story of Digory Kirke and Polly Plummer as they are transported through space and time to the newly created and magical land of Narnia.

#### Sounder by William Armstrong

A young adult novel by William H. Armstrong, published in 1969. It is the story of an African-American boy living with his sharecropper family. Although the family's difficulties increase when the father is imprisoned for stealing a ham from work, the boy still hungers for an education.

#### Amos Fortune, Free Man by Elizabeth Yates

*Amos Fortune, Free Man* is a biographical novel by Elizabeth Yates that won the Newbery Medal for excellence in American children's literature in 1951. It is about a young African prince who is captured and taken to America as a slave.

## A Single Shard by Linda Sue Park

Tree-ear, a thirteen-year-old orphan in medieval Korea, lives under a bridgein a potters' village,

and longs to learn how to throw the delicate celadon ceramics himself.

## Canyons by Gary Paulsen

Finding a skull on a camping trip in the canyons outside El Paso, Texas, Brennanbecomes involved with the fate of a young Apache Indian who lived in the late 1800s.

## Catherine, Called Birdy by Karen Cushman

The thirteen-year-old daughter of an English country knight keeps ajournal in which she records the events of her life, particularly her longing for adventures beyond the usual roleof women and her efforts to avoid being married off.

### David Livingstone, Africa's Trailblazers by Janet and Geoff Benge

David Livingstone was a Scottish missionary,doctor, abolitionist, and explorer who lived in the 1800s. He sought to bring Christianity, commerce, and "civilization" to Africa and undertook three extensive expeditions throughout much of the continent.

## The Devil's Arithmetic by Jane Yolen

Hannah is tired of hearing about the Nazis during the Holocaust, but whenshe opens the door for Elijah at the Passover Seder, she is transported in time to 1940s Poland. She is captured and put in a death camp. A girl named Rivka befriends her, teaching her how to fight the dehumanization of the camp and hold onto her identity.

#### Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site.

## Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell

Left alone on a beautiful but isolated island off the coast of California, a young Indian girl spends eighteen years, not only surviving through her enormous courage and self -reliance, but also finding a measure of happiness in her solitary life.

## Kingdom Series by Chuck Black

This series was first written to inspire children to read the Bible with renewedzeal. It is Chuck's desire to serve the Lord through his work and to inspire people of all ages to study the scriptures in order to discover the hope and love of a truly majestic King and His Son. (any from the series is acceptable)

#### Percy Jackson and the Olympians by Rick Riordan

This series of books takes the ancient Greek pantheon ofgods and goddesses and imagines them as real-world characters. Percy is the son of Poseidon and a human woman who, along with his

friends, face trials and journeys of epic proportions. (any of the series is acceptable)

## Ruby Holler by Sharon Creech

Thirteen-year-old fraternal twins Dallas and Florida have grown up in a terribleorphanage but their lives change forever when an eccentric but sweet older couple invites them each on an adventure, beginning in an almost magical place called Ruby Holler.

### The Big Field by Mike Lupica

For Hutch, shortstop has always been home. It's where his father once played professionally, before injuries relegated him to watching games on TV instead of playing them. And it's where Hutch himself has always played and starred. Until now with the summer league championship on the line, justhow far is Hutch willing to bend to be a good teammate?

#### The Westing Game by E. Raskin

The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikelyassortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.

#### Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson

While going through the possessions of a deceased guest who owedthem money, the mistress of the inn and her son find a treasure map that leads to a pirate fortune as well as great danger.

#### Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech

After her mother leaves home suddenly, thirteen-year-old Sal and her grandparents take a car trip retracing her mother's route. Along the way, Sal recounts the story of her friendPhoebe, whose mother also left.

#### **Redwall** by Brian Jacques

When the peaceful life of ancient Redwall Abbey is shattered by the arrival of the evil rat Cluny and his villainous hordes, Matthias, a young mouse, determines to find the legendary sword of Martin the Warrior, which he is convinced, will help Redwall's inhabitants destroy the enemy.

## Chronicles of Narnia (any from the series) by C.S. Lewis

Children of England find their way into Narnia, a magical land with talking animals, stupid giants, friendly fauns, and evil witches, watched over by the wise and noble Aslan. Once there, the children take part in the battle between good and evil, experiencing many adventures and making profound moral choices that alter both the country and themselves forever.

## Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt

Young Jethro Creighton grows from a boy to a man when he is left to take care of the family farm in Illinois during the difficult years of the Civil War.

## Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

This book chronicles the joys and sorrows of the four March sisters as they grow into young ladies in nineteenth-century New England.

### The Light in the Forest by Conrad Richter

John Butler, a young son of an affluent family, is captured by the Delaware Indians and becomes an Indian in every sense, even learning to hate the white man.

### Anne of Green Gables by L.M. Montgomery

The Cuthberts had decided to adopt an orphan - a nice sturdy boy to help with the farm chores. The orphanage sent a girl instead - a mischievous, talkative redhead who'd be no use at all. She would just have to go back. But ever since Anne arrived, no one could imagine Green Gables without her.

### I Am David by Ann Holm

Having escaped from the eastern European concentration camp where he has spent most of his life, a twelve-year-old boy struggles to cope with an entirely strange world as he flees northward to freedom in Denmark.

### Old Yeller by Fred Gipson

An ugly, stray dog proves he can protect Travis's family from any sort of danger on the wild Texas frontier, especially with Papa away on a long cattle drive.

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Please fill out the following in complete sentences.	
Name of Book	
Author	
Describe the Setting of the Book (Where and When the story takes place).	
Describe the main characters.	
What is the main conflict of this story?	

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How is the conflict resolved?

Would you recommend this book to others? Why or why not?

What was the most interesting part of this book? Please explain using a few sentences.

I read this book completely over the summer of 2021

Students Signature