

Dear Incoming 4th Grade Parents,

IXL Summer Assignments

Each summer students entering grades 4-8 are **required** to complete IXL's Summer Boost program. Their completion of this work will count towards a grade in the first quarter of the upcoming school year. This year, we are also offering the option of a physical workbook. The physical workbook for grades 4 & 5 includes both Math and Language Arts. However, the physical workbook for grades 6-8 only includes Math. Therefore, the online portion of the Summer Boost for Language Arts would still be required. If you would prefer a non-digital option, select the workbook links below to purchase for your child's grade level.

The Summer Boost is **highly recommended** for all students entering grades K-3.

Directions for accessing IXL can be found [here](#).

Although summer is a time for rest, relaxation, and family research shows that summer learning loss can have a significant impact on student performance. To prevent the "summer slide," parents should focus on short, highly consistent daily habits rather than trying to replicate a strict school day. Recent research confirms that targeted summer activities effectively accelerate learning, but math skills are significantly more vulnerable to regression than reading. This is because reading habits are more easily supported through informal activities at home, while math concepts are rarely reinforced outside of a structured classroom setting. Research by NWEA, on the importance of addressing summer learning loss, can be found [here](#).

Entering 4th Grade:

[Math Online](#)

[Language Arts Online](#)

[Summer Workbook](#)

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Summer Reading for Rising 4th Graders

Hello friends! We hope your summer is going well and that you are having lots of fun.

Your summer reading project is to read the novel, Matilda by Roald Dahl. Whilst reading the novel, you should be making notes about the characters, the plot, and setting. We have worked on these skills this year so it should be familiar to you. After each chapter complete a sticky note sized summary of what has happened. After you have finished reading the novel, you will fill out the attached story map.

In addition to reading the novel, watch the movie, Matilda. Whilst watching the movie, you should make notes of what happens, any characters, the setting and plot. We have included a Venn diagram for you to compare and contrast the book to the movie. When you are filling out your Venn diagram, be sure to use your notes and summaries that you created whilst reading the book and watching the movie. Be specific in your descriptions and use your neatest handwriting!

During the first week of school, you can return your story map and Venn diagram to your third grade teacher.

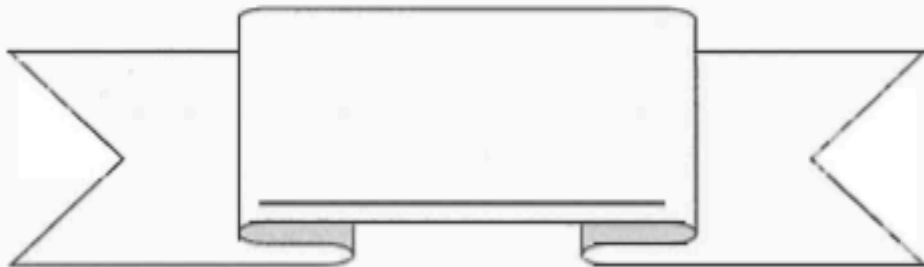
Mr. Andrews, Mrs. Kirlin, and Mrs. Tropea

My Book Report



By _____

The title of my book is:



I would rate this book ...



Author: _____

Characters:

Setting:

Plot

Beginning

Middle

End

Matilda

