

Dear Second Graders,

Reading is the BEST part of learning! With our new curriculum, ***Wit & Wisdom***, we are going to dive into some GREAT books when you get back from vacation, but don't wait for us. Read over the summer and get familiar with these great books.

Remember, good readers sound out words that are unfamiliar, visualize (read the book like a movie in your head), and make predictions as they read. Trying to figure out what is going to happen before the author tells you is so much fun, especially when the prediction is correct, or when the author throws in a twist to the story.

Reading throughout the year will keep you prepared for the new school year.

We look forward to working with your children as we continue to read literature in the classroom. Together, we can give your kids the support they need to succeed as readers and as students!

**(Adapted List from Wit & Wisdom)**

- ☐ Color of His Own
- ☐ John Henry: An American Legend
- ☐ Johnny Appleseed: A Tall Tale
- ☐ Legend of the Bluebonnet, The: An Old Texas Tale
- ☐ Story of Ruby Bridges
- ☐ Why Do Leaves Change Color?
- ☐ John Henry, An American Legend
- ☐ Little Yellow Leaf
- ☐ Sky Tree: Seeing Science Through Art
- ☐ Buffalo Are Back
- ☐ Ruby Bridges Goes to School: My True Story
- ☐ Journey of a Pioneer
- ☐ Martin Luther King, Jr. and the March on Washington
- ☐ Story of Johnny Appleseed
- ☐ I Have a Dream
- ☐ Separate Is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez and Her Family's Fight for Desegregation

Sincerely,  
Second Grade Team

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Handout 1C: Reading Log

Directions: Track your daily reading by recording the date, genre, title and author, and how many pages you read.

Date Started	Literature (L) or Informational (I) Text	Title and Author	Pages Read