



Dear New Fourth Graders,

We hope you are excited about having the summer to read good books that you don't get a chance to read during the school year. When you return to school in August, we'll do some sharing of quality literature.

You are required to read at least ten (10) books this summer. They should be on your reading level so that you will continue to grow as a reader. The HAISLIN reading list has many good options. One of the ten books that all students must read is: **A Nest for Celeste** by Henry Cole. We would like for you to continue to be active readers and use the skills and strategies you practiced in third grade. Attached is a list of familiar codes to help you track your thinking. You may write directly in the margins of your book. Please highlight unfamiliar vocabulary words (of which there will be many!). You will need to bring your copy of the book on the first day of school along with your summer reading list.

Please take your summer reading seriously. It is important that you practice and improve your reading skills over the summer so you will be better prepared for fourth grade. Find a quiet spot in which to read, take notes, draw pictures of your favorite passages, make jot lists, or story mountains of the important details to help you remember what you have read.

If your parents, siblings, or camp friends can spare some time, read aloud to them and summarize the text. You will share your new knowledge when you return to school. We look forward to exciting book conversations!

We can't wait to meet and greet you in August with books in your hands and smiles on your faces!

Happy Reading!

The Fourth Grade Teachers

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Active Reading Coding Key

Symbol	Definition
R	It reminds me of...
T-S	Text to self connection
T-T	Text to text connection
T-W	Text to world connection
L	New Learning
BK	Background knowledge
G	Gist (What it is mostly about or the learning/ message to the reader)
	New idea
E	Evidence
?	Question
I	Important information