

The **Tower**^{of} **BOOKS** Challenge

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Tower of Books Challenge, an independent reading challenge for your child to complete over the summer! Here's how it works:

Your child's goal is to **read at least 10 of the books** from the categories listed on the next page. He or she will check off one of the boxes each time a book is read. After checking off a box, it's time for him/her to add to... the Tower of Books!

1. Put together the "Tower Mat."
* Try hanging it on the fridge, or rolling it like a scroll!
2. Cut out a book spine.
3. Fill in the book information.
4. Glue or tape it to the "Tower Mat."

Once your child builds the Tower Mat, they must complete the 3 attached activity sheets. The bolded categories on the next page must be chosen in order to complete the corresponding activities, "Interesting Things" and "Story Map". The third activity sheet, "Question It!" can be used with any other book. **Your child must complete all 3 activities.**

All students that complete the Tower of Books Challenge and bring their tower and the 3 reader's response activities back on the first day of school will be invited to the Summer Reading Bash! Students will also be recognized on our new "Wall of Readers!"

You do not have to purchase the books your child wishes to read. Check the school's website for Simmons Elementary's library hours, check out the local Glassboro library, or listen to a read-aloud story on YouTube!

Your child will get to try some different types of books he/she may not have read before, and all the while have fun keeping track of his/her reading! If your child wishes to build an EVEN TALLER tower, please email tsimmons@claytonps.org for a taller "Tower Mat." **Happy stacking!**

Sincerely,
The Second Grade Teachers