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St. James Catholic School believes in the importance of reading to strengthen fluency, vocabulary, phonics, and comprehension throughout the summer. Therefore, Summer Reading Assignments are upon us.

For the 2026-2027 school year, it is ***mandatory*** that all students:

- ❖ Read the Required Summer Reading book for his/her entering grade level.
- ❖ Read a second book of his/her choice at grade level.
- ❖ Complete the book report for the **required** book with parent/guardian assistance.
- ❖ Complete the reading ***Book Report Choice Board*** for the second book.
- ❖ All assignments will be collected the first week of school.

Happy reading and enjoy your summer! 📖☀️

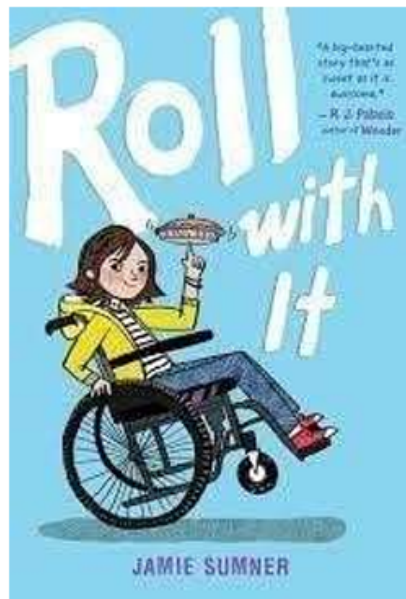
Required Summer Reading 2026 Entering Grade 4

Roll with It

By: Jamie Sumner

Ellie's a girl who tells it like it is. That surprises some people, who see a kid in a wheelchair and think she's going to be all sunshine and cuddles. The thing is, Ellie has big dreams: She might be eating Stouffer's for dinner, but one day she's going to be a professional baker. If she's not writing fan letters to her favorite celebrity chefs, she's practicing recipes on her well-meaning, overworked, mother.

But when Ellie and her mom move so they can help take care of her ailing grandpa, Ellie has to start all over again in a new town at a new school. Except she's not just the new kid—she's the new kid in the wheelchair who lives in the trailer park on the wrong side of town. It all feels like one challenge too many, until Ellie starts to make her first-ever friends. Now she just has to convince her mom that this town might just be the best thing that ever happened to them!



Book can be purchased from:

Amazon \$7.24

Barnes and Noble \$7.99

Name: _____

- 1. Using details from the text, describe Ellie's relationship with her dad. (Chapters 1-2)**

- 2. Part A: How did Mema hear about Mom's plan? (Chapters 3-5)**

- A. Mema overheard Mom talking to Ellie's dad about staying in Oklahoma.
- B. Ellie told Mema they were staying until the end of the school year.
- C. Mema asked Mom when they were going home, and Mom told her they were staying.
- D. Mema overheard someone talking to Mom about substituting at the high school.

Part B: What was Mema's reaction when she found out about Mom's plan?

- 3. Compare and contrast Ellie and Coralee. (Chapters 3-5)**

4. Part A: Using details from the text, describe the memory Ellie wanted to remember. (Chapter 6)

Part B: Why didn't she want Grandpa to forget it?

5. Character Analysis: Choose a character, then fill in information about the character while you read the book.

Character: Ellie Bert (circle the character you choose)			
Looks Like	Acts Like	Motivations	Feelings

Vocabulary

Complete the graphic organizer below. Provide the definition, an image, and a sentence for each word.

Word and Definition inevitable	Sentence	Antonym	Synonym
Word and Definition dapper	Sentence	Antonym	Synonym
Word and Definition advocate	Sentence	Antonym	Synonym
Word and Definition serenity	Sentence	Antonym	Synonym

Book Report #2

Your Name (first and last name)

Name of Book

Author

Directions: After reading your book choose **two** activities from the choice board. Use your best effort, neat handwriting, and lots of creativity!

Book Report Choice Board

Story Map Draw a story map showing the title, characters, setting, beginning, middle, and end.	Favorite Part Draw and write about your favorite part of the story and why you liked it.	New Word Booklet Pick 3-5 interesting or tricky words from the book. Write each word, what it means, and draw a picture.
Book Review Write 5-7 sentences about what you liked or didn't like about the book. Give it a star rating!	Character Feelings Pick one character. Draw them and write or tell how they felt at the beginning, middle, and end.	Problem and Solution What was the problem in the story? How did the character solve it? Draw or write about it.
Make a New Book Cover with the title, author, and a picture that shows something important the story	Story Diorama Use a shoebox or paper to create a 3D scene from the book using drawings or small objects.	Letter to a Character Write a short letter to your favorite character. Tell them why you like them and ask a question.