

Incoming fourth graders at Holy Family Catholic School have an exciting summer reading adventure lined up for 2025! As part of your assignment, you will dive into the entertaining world of Judy Blume's "Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing," which will play a crucial role in our classroom activities when school resumes.

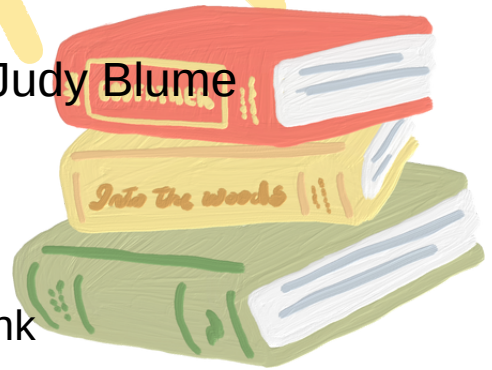
In addition to this required reading, you have the delightful task of choosing another book from the choice book list and use it to create a diorama, collage, treasure box, or video book talk. This project should showcase your understanding of story elements such as characters, setting, problem, events, and solution. You will present the project to the class in a fun literary celebration during the first days of school.

Required Reading

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume

Choice Book List

- *Poppi* by Avi
- *Caddie Woodlawn* by Carol Ryrie Brink
- *Ramona the Brave* by Beverly Cleary
- *The Lemonade Wars* by Jacqueline Davies
- *Sarah, Plain and Tall* by Patricia MacLachlan
- *Sideways Stories from Wayside School* by Louis Sachar
- *Stuart Little* by E.B. White
- *Little House on the Prairie* by Laura Ingalls Wilder



Create a Diorama, Collage, Treasure Box, or Video Book Talk

1. Content Understanding (30 points)

- Diorama: Accurately depicts a key scene, demonstrating understanding of characters, events, problem, and solution. (30 points)
- Collage: Items clearly relate to the story, showing a deep understanding of characters, themes, and events. (30 points)
- Treasure Box: Objects chosen are significant to the story, reflecting a strong grasp of plot and character relevance. (30 points)
- Video Book Talk: Effectively reviews the book's strengths and identifies the target audience, without spoiling the ending. (30 points)

2. Creativity and Presentation (25 points)

- Diorama: Creative use of materials to depict a scene with attention to detail. (25 points)
- Collage: Creative selection and arrangement of images and words. (25 points)
- Treasure Box: Innovative design of the box and thoughtful selection of items. (25 points)
- Video Book Talk: Engaging and clear presentation, with well-organized content and creative scripting. (25 points)

3. Clarity and Organization (20 points)

- Diorama: Information on the outside of the box is well-organized and easy to read. (20 points)
- Collage: Paragraph is clear, with a logical explanation of item choices. (20 points)
- Treasure Box: Index cards are well-written, clearly explaining each item's significance. (20 points)
- Video Book Talk: Script is coherent and well-structured, guiding the flow of the video. (20 points)

4. Effort and Completeness (15 points)

- Diorama: Evident effort in crafting and completing all required elements. (15 points)
- Collage: Demonstrates thorough effort in assembling and writing about the collage. (15 points)
- Treasure Box: Thoughtful effort in creating and explaining all five items. (15 points)
- Video Book Talk: Clear effort in producing a complete and polished video, with an accompanying script. (15 points)

5. Mechanics (10 points)

- Diorama, Collage, Treasure Box, Video Book Talk: Proper spelling, punctuation, and grammar in all written components. (10 points)