4th Grade Summer Reading 2025

Hello 4th graders!

This summer we are going to read <u>The Magician's Nephew</u> by C. S. Lewis. You can borrow this book from the library, purchase your own copy, or borrow one from a friend. You need to read the book over the summer - BEFORE school starts again. Complete the following questions. We will do more with the book once we return in August. Please bring a copy of the book with you on the first day of school.

| Have a great summer! | |
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An *allegory* (AL-lih-gore-ee) is a story that has a hidden moral or political message. The characters and plot often symbolize real-life people, events, and ideas, but the comparison isn't clearly stated.

The Magician's Nephew by C.S. Lewis SUMMARY:

Narnia...where the woods are thick and cool, where the Talking Beasts are called to life, a new world where the adventure begins.

Digory and Polly meet and become friends one cold, wet summer in London. Their lives burst into adventure when Digory's Uncle Andrew, who thinks he is a magician, sends them hurtling to...somewhere else. They find their way to Narnia, newborn from the Lion's song, and encounter the evil sorceress Jadis, before they finally return home.

This was the sixth book written in *The Chronicles of Narnia*. It now stands as the first book in the series.

Complete the symbolism chart.

| <u>Narnia</u> | The Bible | |
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| Aslan | | |
| Queen Jadis | | |
| The Tree and Fruit in Narnia | | |



| • | Aliswer the following questions using complete sentences. | | | | | | | |
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| 1. | What is the setting (time and place) of the story at the beginning of chapter one? | | | | | | | |
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| 2. | 2. What three adjectives would best describe the personalities of Digory, Polly, and Uncle Andrew? | | | | | | | |
| Digo | ry | | | | | | | |
| Polly | | | | | | | | |
| Uncl | e Andrew | | | | | | | |
| 3. Why is Digory living with his aunt and uncle? | | | | | | | | |
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| From whom has Uncle Andrew received the mysterious box of magical dust? What does Uncle Andrew state is very unusual about this person? | | | | | | | | |
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| Describe how Digory is planning on returning to our world with Polly. | | | | | | | | |
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| 6. | List all the people from London that end up in Narnia while Aslan is creating it. | | | | | | | |
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| 7. What happens with Jadis at the end of the story? | | | | | | | | |
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| 8. | 8. I HAVE / HAVE NOT (Circle one.) finished my required reading for the summer. | | | | | | | |

Please bring this paper back to school completed on the first day!