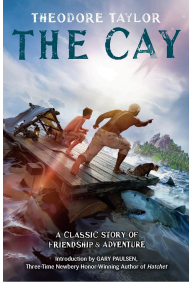





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## Summer 2026 Novel Selections - Incoming 5th Graders

Title	Required?	Synopsis	Faith Connection
<p><u><a href="#">The Cay</a></u></p> 	<p><b>Yes</b></p>	<p>After a shipwreck during World War II, a young boy and an older man are stranded on a small island, where they must rely on each other to survive and overcome differences.</p>	<p>Highlights the dignity of every person, overcoming prejudice, and the importance of trust, respect, and compassion.</p>
<p><u><a href="#">Where the Red Fern Grows</a></u></p> 	<p><b>Yes</b></p>	<p>A boy works hard to raise and train two hunting dogs, forming a deep bond with them while learning lessons about determination, love, and loss.</p>	<p>Reflects perseverance, gratitude, and understanding God's presence through both joy and hardship.</p>