



## SUMMER WORK – INCOMING 4<sup>th</sup> GRADERS

### A. **Novel**

*The World According to Humphrey* by Betty G Birney

### B. **Poetry**

Memorize the poem; *I Love You California* by F.B. Silverwood

#### ***I Love You California***

I love you, California, you're the greatest state of all  
I love you in the winter, summer, spring, and in the fall.  
I love your fertile valleys; your dear mountains I adore,  
I love your grand old ocean and I love her rugged shore.

I love your redwood forests; land of honey, fruit and wine,  
I love you, California; you have won this heart of mine.  
I love your old gray Missions – love your vineyards stretching far,  
I love you, California, with your Golden Gates ajar.

When the snow crowned Golden Sierras  
Keep their watch o'er the valleys bloom.  
It is there I would be in our land by the sea,  
It is Home Sweet Home to me.

### C. **Spelling** – Study this list of commonly misspelled words.

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|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. really   | 13. drink    | 25. better  | 37. they're |
| 2. when     | 14. probably | 26. there's | 38. a lot   |
| 3. help     | 15. what     | 27. because |             |
| 4. I'll     | 16. where    | 28. their   |             |
| 5. won't    | 17. were     | 29. goes    |             |
| 6. don't    | 18. want     | 30. does    |             |
| 7. can't    | 19. together | 31. buy     |             |
| 8. that's   | 20. laugh    | 32. again   |             |
| 9. wouldn't | 21. myself   | 33. every   |             |
| 10. I'm     | 22. eight    | 34. always  |             |
| 11. haven't | 23. done     | 35. right   |             |
| 12. we're   | 24. warm     | 36. write   |             |



#### **D. Math Review**

Students should enter the fourth grade with multiplication facts mastered. Students should be able to complete both sides of the fact sheet in under ten minutes. Practice over the summer while traveling in the car, use flash cards, answer a fact as you jump off the diving board, or find a fun game on the computer. A few websites you can try are: mathplayground.com, multiplication.com and khanacademy.com.

*Note Well: This is the summer assignment for the incoming 4<sup>th</sup> graders. The students need to read the novel, memorize the poem, and study the vocabulary and math skills in preparation for the diagnostic assessment that takes place during the first week of school.*

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