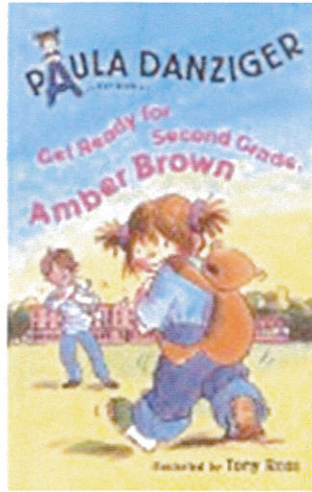


Odyssey Charter School  
Summer Reading Assignment

**SECOND GRADE**

Read Get Ready for Second Grade, Amber Brown, by Paula Danziger



Activity: Before reading, ask them to close their eyes and picture what the day will be like. Discuss with your child how they feel about their upcoming first day of second grade. Point out the illustrations as you read with your child and discuss how they support the events happening in the story.

Have a conversation with your child to help generate ideas for their writing. Some points of discussion could include, getting ready for the first day of school, the new classroom teachers, separating from old friendships, making new friendships, meeting a new teacher. Have your child write a paragraph or two comparing and contrasting how they anticipate their first day of school will be verses Amber's first day of school.

At the end of the story Amber Brown makes an end of the year prediction, "I, Amber Brown, am going to be able to read a chapter book all on my own." Have your child close their writing with a prediction/goal for the end of the second grade year.

As you guide your child through their writing remind them to include an introduction/topic sentence, three to five supporting sentences and a closing sentence. Be sure to have your child include a picture to support their writing.