

Incoming Fifth Grade Summer Reading Project 2026

The Thing About Georgie by Lisa Graff

- ❖ **This is a two-part project. First, use a piece of notebook paper or type your responses to the six questions. Then choose one of the three options listed below the questions.**

- 1.Explain the book's title. **Have you ever been misunderstood?** Share your experience.
- 2.What do you learn about friendship from this story?
3. At the end of the book, you are asked to **consider “the thing about you”**. What might someone who does not know you well see as “the thing about you”?
4. Which character from the story reminds you of someone you know? Please explain your response in **three to five sentences**.
5. If you could meet Georgie, what would you ask him?
6. What is the **theme of the story**? Provide text evidence to support your response.

Choose one of the options below. Circle the option that you completed. Follow the directions completely.

Option # 1: Create a four frame cartoon to show an event from “The Thing About Georgie”. Make it colorful.

Option # 2: Create a representation of your favorite book character (consider a painting, a clay sculpture, your own CD, or another creative choice).

Option # 3: Create a timeline of the story plot. Remember to include rising and falling action and the resolution to the conflict. Use color and clear, bold print.

My first and last name are on the project. Circle YES or NO

I answered each of the six questions. Circle YES or NO

My answers were neatly written or typed. Circle YES or NO

I proofread my work. There were few errors. Circle YES or NO

If you have questions about the project as you work on it this summer, please send an email to jgarbett@teachers.stpiusx.com. Thank you.

