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Dear Jacob,

How was your summer vacation? The best part of my summer was when my family went to visit my grandparents in Missouri. While we were there, we visited St. Louis and got to go up into the St. Louis Arch. It was really weird to look down from the windows at the very top! The rest of the summer I spent swimming and hanging out with the neighbors that just moved in next door. They have twins that are ten years old, too!

I am so excited to be beginning fifth grade! My mom and I picked out all of the books that I'll be reading this year, and I wrote a schedule for myself to make sure that I can get through all of them before next summer. Since I visited St. Louis, I've been really excited to read more books about the Westward Expansion. Have you read any good books lately?

I hope that you had a great summer, too! I can't wait to hear back from you!

Your friend,

Mackenzie