

INCOMING 6th GRADE SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT

Assignment:

For this assignment, students will select two books they have not previously read from the Summer Reading List. Students will read these two books in their entirety over the summer break. Some books are shorter than others, and we encourage students to strengthen their reading skills by carefully choosing books that might challenge them. Students may not use Audible or another app that reads aloud.

Accompanying the reading of this book will be two short writing assignments that are designed to help the students 1) recall what they have read, 2) recognize meaningful themes and ideas with the book, and 3) articulate that meaningful theme to an audience. Students will then choose one written assignment to present orally to their class. **These assignments are due within the first two weeks of the Fall Semester.**

Assignment I:

Students will choose two books from the Summer Reading List. For each book, students will write a two-page (cursive handwriting, college-ruled paper, blue or black ink) summary of the plot of each book. The summary should include:

- 1) Title and Author
- 2) Detailed summary of the plot of the book
- 3) Identify a virtue or a theme that is prevalent in the work and makes the work meaningful
- 4) Explain why their peers should read this book

Assignment II:

Students will give an oral presentation from one of their summer readings to their classmates. The presentation should be 3-5 minutes in length and will mimic the written summary. The written summary cannot be used during the oral presentation:

- 1) Title and Author
- 2) Detailed summary of the plot of the book
- 3) Identify a virtue or a theme that is prevalent in the work and makes the work meaningful
- 4) Explain why their peers should read this book

Title	Author	Year	Pages	Lexile	Incoming Grade
20,00 Leagues Under the Sea	Verne, Jules	1870	256	920	6
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland	Carroll, Lewis	1865	101	850	6
Caddie Woodlawn	Brink, Carol Ryrie	1935	275	890	6
Dragon King Trilogy: In the Hall of the Dragon King	Lawhead, Stephen	1982	376	850	6
Dragon King Trilogy: The Warlords of Nin	Lawhead, Stephen	1982	416	900	6
From the Earth to the Moon	Verne, Jules	1865	338	900	6
Girl of the Limberlost	Stratton-Porter	1909	370	850	6
Hound of the Baskervills	Doyle, Arthur Conan	1902	112	850	6
Mary Poppins	Travers, PL	1934	224	840	6
Pollyanna	Porter, Eleanor	1913	288	870	6
Red Badge of Courage	Crane, Stephen	1895	132	900	6
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Taylor, Mildred D.	1976	288	920	6
Shane	Schaefer, Jack	1946	176	870	6
Souder	Armstrong, William H.	1969	116	890	6
The Cay	Taylor, Theodore	1969	144	860	6
The Dark is Rising	Cooper, Susan	1973	320	920	6
The Light Princess	MacDonald	1864	128	880	6
The Oxbow Incident	Van Tilburg Clark, Walter	1940	288	890	6
The Watson's Go to Birmingham -- 1963	Curtis, Christopher Paul	1995	210	920	6
Through the Looking Glass	Carroll, Lewis	1871	208	840	6
Watership Down	Adams, Richard	1972	476	880	6
Wind in the Willows	Grahame, Kenneth	1908	161	1060	6