

Middle School Summer Assignment 2017



Want a way to improve your vocabulary? **READ.**
Looking for a way to improve your grammar? **READ.**
Itching to become a writer? **READ!**
Trying to become better all around? You guessed it **READ!!!**

Reading is probably the *easiest* and *best* way to become a better student **ACROSS THE BOARD!**

With that in mind, we have come up with the summer reading and assignment list for 2017.

This year will be a bit different. For summer 2017, you must read **TWO** books: one is required, one you choose from a list.

Here is the twist--you can **READ MORE AND WIN PRIZES!!** Yes, you read that correctly--you can get prizes for reading! Not only will you become a better student, but you can get a prize! Talk about a **WIN WIN** situation!

Required text:

6th grade	Ruby Holler
7th grade	Bud, Not Buddy
8th grade	The Giver

In writing class, you will be required to write a formal character analysis of this book. In order to help you complete the project (which will be a published piece in writing class) you should take notes on characters. Simply note pages and actual text about characters as you read. These notes can be in form of journal, sticky notes on pages, web, etc. You will text evidence in your analysis so be sure to have exact quotes and page numbers. You should do this for most major characters so you will have options when writing paper. The more detailed you are as you read, the easier the paper will be to write!

Assignment for optional book (*note assignment is not optional*, just which book you choose is!):

Pretend the town from the book is putting together a Time Capsule which will be dug up in 25 years. Choose 5 items a main character would put in the capsule. These items are to be representative of the characters and the story. Each item must be identified and a description of

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what it means to the town or character is to be included. It is to be written as a character in the book.

This assignment must be typed and is due the first week of school. It can be essay, journal entry for character, letter from character to someone--be creative!

BONUS BOOKS!!

For every bonus book you read, you are to complete an index card (5x8) with the following information on the front

Title	Setting (time and place)
Author	3 Main events
Genre	

On the back of the card, write a personal response/reaction that you as a reader experienced during your reading of the book.

Each completed index card will be entered in drawing for prizes.

Book List

Grade 6

City of Embers
No Talking
A Crooked Kind of Perfect
Out of My Mind
A Wrinkle in Time
The Clay
Mixed Up Files
The Jumbies
Soar by Joan Bauer
El Deafo
All Rise for Honorable Perry T Cook
Year in Life of Complete and Total Genius
Hidden Oracle
The Secret Coders

Grade 7

Phantom Tollbooth
Wonder
Million Dollar Throw
Hope Was Here

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The Crossover
Counting by 7's
Absolutley Almost
Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library
Eragon
Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry
Dead End in Norvelt
Penderwicks in Spring
I Lived on Butterfly Hill

Grade 8

Roller Girl
I am Mala
Zeus King of the Gods
Sisters Raina-
They All Fall Down
They Changed the World: Bell Edison Telsa-
Explorer: The Hidden Door
Counting by 7's
Stargirl
Wednesday War
Souder

All Grades:

Believe:the Victorious Story Eric LeGrand
A Single Bead by Stephanie Engleman
7 Riddles to Nowhere by AJ Cattapan
The Perfect Blindside by Leslea Wahl
Notes to a Nobody--Cynthia Toney
Sunflowers in Hurricane by Anne Faye
Genuis Under Construction by Marilee Haines
The Locket's Secrets by K Kellye Hene