



# Summer Reading

## 2023

### ELA Grades 6, 7, & 8

Dear middle school students,

We are all so proud of you for the hard work and effort you put forth this year. During that time, we know that you were reading books together with your classes as well as reading books independently, and we hope that you will use some of your time this summer to continue reading! Reading just a couple of books over the summer months helps you to maintain the reading progress you have made this year, so you will be responsible for choosing ONE book from our attached reading list to read and enjoy over the summer.

**There is no written assignment to complete over the summer, but you will be required to complete a project based on the book once you return to school in September. This project will require knowledge of various elements in your chosen novel that will show your new ELA teacher how well you understood the book. \*Don't forget to bring a copy of the book with you during the first two weeks of school\***

Feel free to use post-its, annotate (if you choose to purchase the book), or keep a journal of important elements you come across as you read. Some of the elements you may be required to show knowledge of are:

1. Characters
  - a. Who are the main characters?
  - b. How do the characters change over the course of the story?
2. Setting
  - a. Can you identify and explain the significance the settings in the book?
  - b. How does the setting affect the characters and/or plot of the story?
3. Turning Point of the Story
  - a. What is the climax of the story?
  - b. How does this event affect the characters and/or the resolution of the story?

4. Conflict
  - a. Can you identify at least 1-2 problems in the story?
  - b. How are these problems solved?
5. Theme
  - a. What lesson(s) can be learned from the story?

Below you will find reading lists for incoming 6th, 7th, and 8th-grade students. Please choose one of these books to read and be prepared to work with the text when we return to school in September.

Have a wonderful summer!

Happy reading,  
Your ELA Teachers



## Summer Reading Lists

[Incoming 6th Grade Suggested Reading List](#)

[Incoming 7th Grade Suggested Reading List](#)

[Incoming 8th Grade Suggested Reading List](#)