

Middle School Summer Reading

Due: First Day of School

For 2021 summer reading, you will need to read two books. You may choose which books to read, but one book will need to be nonfiction and one book will need to be fiction. A list of recommended books is included below.

For your nonfiction book, you will need to complete the “Book Report for a Nonfiction Informational Book” form attached to this assignment. If you need more room for your answers than the lines on the form allow, you may write your answers on a separate piece of looseleaf paper or type and print them out and then staple your answers to the book report form.

For your fiction book, you will need to complete the “Fiction Book Report” form attached to this assignment. Like with the nonfiction book report form, if you need more space for your answers, you may write them on looseleaf or type them and print them out.

Both book report forms will need to be with you and ready to be turned in at the start of the first class we have together on the first day of school. You should also be ready to tell your classmates about the books you chose, why you chose them, and what you learned from reading them.

Below is a list of books that would make great choices for summer reading. All of these books are likely to be widely available.

<i>I Am Malala</i> (Young Readers Edition) by Malala Yousafzai	<i>Ground Zero</i> by Alan Gratz
<i>Becoming</i> (Young Readers Edition) by Michelle Obama	<i>Blended</i> by Sharon Draper
<i>Stamped</i> by Ibram X. Kendi and Jason Reynolds	<i>Illegal</i> by Francisco X. Stork
<i>Free Lunch</i> by Rex Ogle	<i>Shaking Up the House</i> by Yamile Saied Mendez
<i>The Sea-Ringed World: Sacred Stories of the Americas</i> by Maria Garcia Esperon et al	<i>City of the Plague God</i> by Sarwat Chadda
<i>On the Horizon</i> by Lois Lowry and Kenard Park	<i>The Magical Reality of Nadia</i> by Bassem Youssef
<i>The Eagle Huntress</i> by Aisholpan Nurgaiv	<i>The Mysterious Disappearance of Aidan S. (as told to his brother)</i> by David Levithan
<i>The Radium Girls</i> (Young Readers Editions) by Kate Moore	<i>Merci Suarez Changes Gears</i> by Meg Medina
<i>One Real American: The Life of Ely S Paker</i> by Joseph Bruchac	<i>Front Desk</i> by Kelly Yang
<i>The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks</i> (Young Readers Edition) by Rebecca Skloot & Gregory Mone	<i>The Night Diary</i> by Veera Hiranandani



Name _____ Date _____

Fiction Book Report

Title of book _____

Author _____

Main Character _____

Setting _____

Write four sentences telling what the story is about.

Describe a time when the main character had a problem and needed help.

Write what you thought about the story. Tell what it was about the story that made you like it or dislike it. You may also describe what the story made you think about.



What is the turning point of the story? (Climax)

Tell about a situation in the book that reminded you of an experience you've had.

What incidents or events would not have happened in this book if they would have happened in a different setting?



Describe a problem that occurred in the story.
How was it solved?

Write about two of the main events in the story.

1.

2.

NAME _____ PERIOD ____ DATE _____

BOOK REPORT FOR A NONFICTION INFORMATIONAL BOOK

Be sure to write neatly. Be sure to use complete sentences. Legibility, capitalization, spelling, punctuation and sentence structure will count.

BOOK TITLE _____ # OF PAGES _____

AUTHOR _____ PUBLISHER _____

Topic (What is the book about?) _____

Use complete sentences to explain why you chose to read a book about this particular topic. Give details.

I selected this book because _____

Using complete sentences, explain the author's purpose for writing this book. Give examples from the book to show your knowledge of the content.

Choose FIVE of the most interesting or exciting chapters or events in the book. Describe each one and state why you found each one interesting. USE COMPLETE SENTENCES.

Describe Event #1 (with details) _____

I found this chapter/event interesting because _____

Describe Event #2 (with details) _____

I found this chapter/event interesting because _____

Describe Event #3 (with details) _____

I found this chapter/event interesting because _____

Describe Event #4 (with details) _____

I found this chapter/event interesting because _____

Describe Event #5 (with details) _____

I found this chapter/event interesting because _____

Using complete sentences, describe FIVE new facts or ideas that you learned from reading this book. BE SURE THAT YOU DO NOT USE THE SAME INFORMATION THAT YOU HAVED USED IN THE SECTION ABOVE, AND USE DETAILS.

i. _____

ii. _____

iii. _____

iv. _____

v. _____

If you met the author of this book, what are TWO suggestions or compliments you would make about the book? Use complete sentences to explain.

i. _____

ii. _____

Would you recommend this nonfiction book to anyone? Why or why not? _____
