



June 2019

Dear Parents and Students,

Enclosed please find a booklist for your 6th, 7th or 8th grader. Each student is required to read a minimum of four books over the summer. Two books will be fiction, one will be a graphic novel and the other will be a mythology book (6th) or autobiography/memoir (7th & 8th). More information regarding what books to choose can be found on the book list.

In addition to reading, a journal entry must be filled out for each of the four books that are read over the summer. An example of what to include in the journal entry is attached. These can be handwritten or typed and will be due September 6th.

Please encourage your child to read and visit your public library over the summer. Reading as much as possible over the summer will not only build your child's fluency, but it will also help to strengthen their writing.

Thank you,

Sr. Debbie Timmis

Reading Response Journal - Student Guide

<u>Summary and Prediction</u>	<u>Questions</u>
Notes	Notes
<p>1. Write a summary of the assigned reading.</p> <p>Your summary must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe three key events in the reading using transition words (Example: Firstly, next, finally) Conclude with a main idea statement (Example: <i>The chapter was mainly about _____</i>) Be at least four sentences. <p>2. Make a prediction about what will happen next.</p> <p>Your prediction must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be linked to the events described in your summary. Be at least two sentences. 	<p>1. Record <u>four questions</u> you have as you read.</p> <p>Your questions must</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Include two comprehension questions (what, when, where, who) and two analytical questions (why, how) Be punctuated with a question mark Be numbered 1 - 4
<u>Important Passage</u>	<u>Personal Response</u>
Notes	Notes
<p>1. Record <u>ONE paragraph-long passage</u> from the novel that stands out to you as an important moment in the novel.</p> <p>The passage must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> be at least two sentences. be surrounded by "quotation marks" be followed by the page number. <p>2. Explain why you chose the passage.</p> <p>Your explanation must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> be at least 2 sentences 	<p>1. Write a personal response to the assigned reading.</p> <p>Your personal response must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be at least five sentences. Honestly describe and explain your thoughts and feelings as you read the assigned reading. <i>What were you thinking?</i> <p>If you are having trouble starting, you can choose from the list of response starters below. <i>Do not feel restricted to this list!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> When I read the chapter/s I felt.... I can relate to... I am confused about... I want to know why... This reminds me of... I want to ask the author/character...



Reading Response Journal

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

Title: _____ Chapter: _____

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