

6TH-12TH GRADE SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENTS

6th, 7th, and English 8 CP Students: Students should select TWO novels from the following list to read over the summer. They will be assigned a reading response on their selected novels during the first week of school.

FICTION TITLES

- *Across Five Aprils*, Irene Hunt
- *After the Rain*, Norma Fox Mazer
- *Al Capone Does My Shirts*, G. Chlodenko
- *The Apprenticeship of Lucas Whitaker*, Cynthia DeFelice
- *Backwater*, Joan Bauer
- *Bandit's Moon*, Sid Fleischman
- *Becoming Naomi Leon*, Pam Munoz Ryan
- *The Book Thief*, Markus Zusak
- *Bound*, Donna Jo Napoli
- *A Boy at War: A Novel of Pearl Harbor*, Harry Mazer
- *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*, John Boyne
- *The Boy Who Saved Baseball*, John H. Ritter
- *Breaking Stalin's Nose*, Eugene Yelchin
- *Calico Captive*, Elizabeth George Speare
- *Captain Horatio Hornblower*, C. S. Forester
- *The Cay & Timothy of the Cay*, Theodore Taylor
- *Chasing Redbird*, Sharon Creech
- *Chasing Vermeer*, The Calder Game, & The Wright 3, Balliett Blue
- *Chicken Boy*, Frances O'Roark Dowell
- *Chomp*, Carl Hiaasen
- *The Coast Watcher*, Elise Weston
- *Cry of the Icemark*, S. Hill
- *Day of Tears*, Julius Lester
- *Double Identity*, Margaret Peterson Haddix
- *The Edge of the Sword*, Rebecca Tingle
- *Ella Enchanted*, Gail Levine
- *The Enemy Above*, Michael Spraidlin
- *Ender's Game*, Orson Scott Card
- *Escape From Mr. Lemoncello's Library & The Island of Dr. Libris*, Chris Grabenstein
- *Esperanza Rising*, Pam Munoz Ryan
- *Eyes of the Emperor*, Graham Salisbury
- *Fever, 1793*, Laurie Halse Anderson
- *Ghost*, Jason Reynolds
- *Granny Torelli Makes Soup*, Sharon Creech
- *The Hound of the Baskervilles*, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
- *Masterpiece*, Elise Broach
- *My Side of the Mountain*, Jean Craighead George
- *Navigating Early*, Clare Vanderpool

- *A Night Divided*, Jennifer A. Nielson
- *Out of My Mind*, Sharon Draper
- *Project 1065*, Alan Gratz
- *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*, Mildred Taylor
- *Robinson Crusoe*, Daniel Defoe
- *The Secret Keepers*, Trenton Lee Stewart
- *The Secret Project Notebook*, Carolyn Reeder
- *Stormbreaker*, Anthony Horowitz
- *Surviving the Applewhites*, Stephanie Tolan
- *Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer*, John Grisham
- *The Thief Lord*, Cornelia Funk
- *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*, Avi
- *The Underneath*, Kathi Appelt
- *Ungifted*, Gordon Korman
- *The Westing Game*, Ellen Raskin
- *When the Sea Turned to Silver*, Grace Lin

SERIES

- *Benjamin Pratt & the Keepers of the School* series, Andrew Clements
- *Dear America* series
- *The Gerander Trilogy*, Francis Watts
- *Guardians of Ga'hoole* series, Kathryn Lasky
- *The Horses of Oak Valley Ranch* series, Jane Smiley
- *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, J. R. R. Tolkien
- *Molly Moon* series, Georgia Byng
- *The Mysterious Benedict Society* series, Trenton Lee Stewart
- *The Royal Diaries* series
- *Tales from Dimwood Forest* series, Avi
- *The Wingfeather Saga*, Andrew Peterson

NONFICTION

- *Abracadabra Kid: A Writer's Life*, Sid Fleischman
- *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Young Readers Edition*, William Kamkwamba
- *Cowboys of the Wild West*, Russell Freedman
- *The Emperor's Silent Army*, Jane O'Conner
- *Isaac the Alchemist*, Mary Losure
- *King George: What Was His Problem?*, Steve Sheinkin
- *Moonbird*, Phillip Hoose
- *Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story about Brain Science*, John Fleischman
- *Temple Grandin*, Sy Montgomery
- *We Are the Ship*, Kadir Nelson
- *We've Got a Job: the 1963 Birmingham Children's March*, Cynthia Levinson

ENGLISH 8 Honors/9 CP

Students in English 8 Honors and 9 CP should read *To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee and be prepared for a written assessment during the first week of school.

ENGLISH 9 HONORS/10 CP

Students in English 9 Honors and English 10 CP should read *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding and be prepared for a written assessment during the first week of school.

ENGLISH 10 HONORS/11 CP

Students in English 10 Honors and English 11 CP should read *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne and be prepared for a written assessment during the first week of school.

ENGLISH 11 HONORS

Students in English 11 will read *Beowulf* translation by Seamus Heaney and prepare for a written assessment during the first week of school.

AP LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION

Students in AP Language and Composition should read *The Ethics of Rhetoric* by Richard Weaver and be prepared for a written assessment the first week of school.

SENIOR COMPOSITION

Students in Senior Composition should read the memoir *The Little Big Things* by Henry Fraser and be prepared for a written assessment during the first week of school.

AP LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION

Students should read *Invisible Man* by Ralph Ellison and a second novel from the AP reading list. A detailed description of the novels and assignment will be emailed to each student registered for the class at the beginning of the summer.