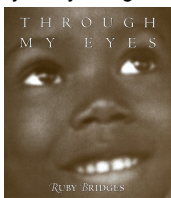


Entering 6th Grade Summer Reading Options

(choose one from the yellow boxes. The purple is extra credit)

Book Title	Lexile Level	Themes	Synopsis
Esperanza Rising By Pam Muñoz Ryan 	750	Fiction Poverty Perseverance Justice	For the first 12 years of her life, Esperanza Ortega is pampered by servants and sheltered by her doting parents on their ranch in Aguascalientes, Mexico. But a sudden tragedy shatters that world of wealth and privilege. Homeless and destitute, she and her mother emigrate to California to work in the fields and start a new life.
Ender's Game By Orson Scott Card 	780	Science Fiction Dystopia Revolution Coming of Age	The Earth is under attack by alien assailants. The survival of humanity depends on a military genius who can defeat the aliens: Ender Wiggin. Brilliant. Ruthless. Cunning. A tactical and strategic master. And a child. Ender's childhood ends the moment he enters his new home: Battle School. He excels, but is the pressure and loneliness too much? Can he actually save the world?
Maniac Magee By Jerry Spinelli 	820	Fiction Homelessness Respect Trust	When Jeffrey Lionel Magee wanders into Two Mills, Pennsylvania, a legend is in the making. Before too long, stories begin to circulate about how fast and how far he can run and about feats so incredible they earn him the nickname "Maniac."
Through My Eyes by Ruby Bridges 	860	Non- Fiction Integration Racism Justice	In November 1960, all of America watched as a tiny six-year-old black girl, surrounded by federal marshals, walked through a mob of screaming segregationists and into her school. An icon of the civil rights movement, Ruby Bridges chronicles each dramatic step of this pivotal event in history through her own words.
Stealing Home: The Story of Jackie Robinson By Barry Denenberg	930	Non Fiction Baseball Integration Determination	On April 15, 1947, Jackie Robinson stepped onto Ebbets Field as a Brooklyn Dodger and changed American baseball forever. The first black man to play in the white major leagues, he had the courage to confront racism and fight for the rights of all black people, on and off the baseball diamond. He shattered the color barrier, and with tremendous skill and determination, he became not only one of the



most legendary baseball players of all time, but also a great American hero. Half a century later, Jackie Robinson's extraordinary story remains an important contribution to America's favorite pastime and to American history.

6th Grade Summer Reading Assignment

**Assignment
DUE DATE
9/4/18**

Chapter Summaries or Journal Entries & Drawing

Part 1) After each chapter, summarize what happened. Write your summary in at least 5-6 complete sentences.

OR

2) After each chapter, write a journal entry from the perspective of the main character explaining how that character might be feeling or what that character may be thinking. Write your journal entry in at least 5-6 complete sentences.

Note:

You may handwrite your summaries/journal entries on lined paper, in a notebook, or type them in a Google document.

See the examples to the right. The rubric that will be used to grade your summaries is attached to this packet.

Part 2) Draw a picture to **symbolize** an important piece of the chapter to go along with your summary or journal entry. Note: A symbol is an item that represents an idea.

Example

Sample Summary of Chapter 1 from Wonder:

In chapter 1, the main character, Auggie, introduced himself and explains why he is and is not ordinary. He does and likes ordinary things such as ice cream, video games, and his dog. What make him not-so-ordinary is his face: he has a deformity. If he had only one wish ever in his entire life, Auggie would wish for a normal face. His parents ignore how people react, but Auggie's sister Via can't stand how rude some people can be.

Example

Sample Journal entry:

Dear Diary,

It turns out that going to school is totally doable—being like everyone else, on the other hand, is another matter. So today I struggled. How do I live a normal life ten-year old life while looking the way I do. I know it's a challenge to look at me, "I know I'm weird-looking, take a look, I don't bite", but I wish kids would just get over it already. The staring and whispering reminds me over and over again how I'm not normal. It's demoralizing, and distracts me from the business of just going through the normal, ordinary school day. Hopefully Mom will catch the hint of my sad face and get me some of my favorite snack, ice cream, tonight.

Yours Truly,
Auggie



6th Grade Summer Reading

Chapter Summaries OR Journals Rubric

Note: Teachers will randomly select 5 summaries to grade

Category	1	2	3
Neatness/ Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Illegible handwriting - Unprofessional formatting - Missing chapter numbers - Paper contain multiple messy marks i.e. smudges, watermarks stains) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Handwriting is legible (no use of symbols or emojis) - Formatting indicates relative professionalism - Most chapters have a heading with the chapter number - Paper is mostly free of messy marks (i.e. smudges, watermarks stains) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Handwriting is professional and neat (no use of symbols or emojis) - Formatting indicates strong professionalism - All chapters have a heading with the chapter number - Paper is free of messy marks (i.e. smudges, watermarks stains)
Summary Quantity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 50% of chapter summaries are complete and follow the directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 70% of chapter summaries are complete and follow the directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 100% of chapter summaries are complete and follow the directions
Summary Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 out of 5 randomly selected summaries are written with integrity, accurately capture the events, and clearly demonstrate that the understood what he/she read 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3 out of 5 randomly selected summaries are written with integrity, accurately capture the events, and clearly demonstrate that the understood what he/she read 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All 5 randomly selected summaries are written with integrity, accurately capture the events, and clearly demonstrate that the understood what he/she read

