

2023 SUMMER READING AND PROJECT LIST MIDDLE SCHOOL

6TH GRADE

Students entering the 6th grade will be required to read a scripture selection and one book from the list below. The students will complete an assignment on the book in class during the first week of school.

Required Reading:

Scripture Selection...Mark

Select One of the Following Books:

- 1. The Forgotten Door by Alexander Key
- 2. Sixth Grade Really Can Kill You by Barthe DeClements
- 3. The Egypt Game by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
- 4. With Daring Faith by Rebecca Davis
- 5. Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell

Preparation for Class Assignment:

The student should be looking for some of the following things when reading the book of choice. Taking notes on these items will help with the upcoming assignment in class.

- 1. Describe the main characters. Be sure to include physical descriptions, as well as clues to their personalities.
- 2. Describe the setting of the book, either the book as a whole or a scene in the book. Include details about time and place, and why it is important to the book as a whole.
- 3. Identify the book's main idea and/or theme.
- 4. Select 5 unfamiliar words from the novel. These can be words that you personally don't know, or those that you think would be challenging to other students your age.

7TH GRADE

Students entering the 7th grade will be required to read a scripture selection and one book from the list below. The students will complete an assignment on the book in class during the first week of school.

Required Reading:

Scripture Selection...Genesis 1-25

Select One of the Following Books:

- 1. Wringer by Jerry Spnelli
- 2. Under a War Torn Sky by L.M. Elliott
- 3. The Man Who Was Poe by Avi
- 4. Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse
- 5. Mark of the Thief by Jennifer Neilsen
- 6. The Ark, the Reed, and the Fire Cloud by Jenny Cote

Preparation for Class Assignment:

The student should be looking for some of the following things when reading the book of choice. Taking notes on these items will help with the upcoming assignment in class.

- 1. Describe the main characters. Be sure to include physical descriptions, as well as clues to their personalities.
- 2. Describe the setting of the book, either the book as a whole or a scene in the book. Include details about time and place, and why it is important to the book as a whole.
- 3. Identify the book's main idea and/or theme.
- 4. Select 5 unfamiliar words from the novel. These can be words that you personally don't know, or those that you think would be challenging to other students your age.

8TH GRADE

Students entering the 8th grade will be required to read a scripture selection and one book from the list below. The students will complete an assignment on the book in class during the first week of school.

Required Reading:

Scripture Selection...Judges

Select One of the Following Books:

- 1. The Giver by Lois Lowry
- 2. A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court by Mark Twain
- 3. The Prince Warriors by Priscilla Shirer
- 4. Romanov by Nadine Brands
- 5. Johnny Tremain by Esther Forbes

Preparation for Class Assignment:

The student should be looking for some of the following things when reading the book(s) of choice. Taking notes on these items will help with the upcoming assignment in class.

- 1. Describe the main characters. Be sure to include physical descriptions, as well as clues to their personalities.
- 2. Describe the setting of the book, either the book as a whole or a scene in the book. Include details about time and place, and why it is important to the book as a whole.
- 3. Identify the book's main idea and/or theme.
- 4. Select 5 unfamiliar words from the novel. These can be words that you personally don't know, or those that you think would be challenging to other students your age.