

Summer Reading 2019
Clarksville Academy Intermediate School

This summer, grades 6-8 are expected to read a grade appropriate novel and complete a book review (see second page). Students may choose their books with a few requirements. 6th and 7th grade students should choose a work of fiction. 8th grade students will read a work of nonfiction. Again, the books should be grade appropriate, but we also want students to choose a book that catches their interest.

The public library and their skilled librarians are a great resource for selecting a book that meets both student interest and grade level appropriate. We have also compiled several websites of book lists that cover a wide range of interests, topics, and reading abilities:

[Most exciting middle grade reads of 2019](#)

[Most exciting young adult books of 2019](#)

[10 Nonfiction Books for Teens that are Total Page Turners](#)

[50 Must-Read NF books](#)

The Book Review: All students should complete the book review on the next page. These will be bound and kept in the classroom for all students and visitors to see. It is a tool we will turn to throughout the year for students to continue finding independent reads and furthering their reading interests and accomplishments. Please be thorough and legible in completing the review.

Rising 7th grade students will also make a presentation in google slides to be turned in on the first day. Students should have FIVE slides plus a cover slide.

Cover Slide: Student name and book title

Slide 1: plot diagram of five events (please include page or chapter numbers)

Slide 2: describe the setting, not only the physical location but geographic location, time period, weather (if it is a factor in the plot).

Slide 3: Identify the type of conflict (person versus _____) and explain

Slide 4: Characterize the protagonist (at least 3 traits)

Slide 5: Describe the theme

Be Creative with the pictures, fonts, and themes you choose for the presentation

Rising 8th grade students will use the clips app to create a commercial for the book. They will present and share their commercial during the first days of school.

- Students should also have FIVE slides, but how they are used and organized is at the student's discretion.
- The content of the commercial should focus on the author's message and support with quotes.
- Students should use voice overs to explain the quotes and their connection to theme.
- Sell the book-- consider who should read the book and why.

Be creative: use music that reflects the mood of the book and/or your commercial; add emojis and stickies to incorporate recurrent ideas from the novel, etc

If students need a refresher on using the clips app, check out this detailed but incredibly helpful tutorial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Il8SWCUWMDY&t=47s>

Summer Reading Book Review

Student Name: _____

Title	Author	Year Published	Total Pages
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Summary (include setting, people, and problem)

THREE quotes from the novel that stick with you and explain.

Quote from the beginning (P. _____)		Why?
Quote from the middle (P. _____)		Why?
Quote from the end (P. _____)		Why?

Do a little research about your author to answer one of the following

- How long has s/he been writing?
- What else has s/he written?
- What made the writer pick this topic?

Answer and Source

What other books does this book remind you of? Why?