

Entering 6th Grade (2022-2023)
Middle School Language Arts Summer Reading

Required Reading: You will read **two books** for summer reading before 6th grade. You will take an AR quiz on *The Lion, The Witch, And The Wardrobe*. If you write (by hand) one page of notes for each book, you are free to use those notes on the AR quizzes. You will write a paper for **both** books.

Read *The Lion, The Witch, And The Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis.

Write a 400-500-word paper. Evaluate the plot, the main characters, and major themes in the book. Give your opinion of the book – state this as a thesis statement at the end of your introduction. Use quotes from the text (at least three). Your paper should be written in paragraph form with an introduction, two to three body paragraphs, and conclusion. Cite page numbers with the author’s last name in parentheses for your quotes. Make sure to check your grammar, spelling, and punctuation. You need a Works Cited page as the last page of your document. An MLA heading, original title and your last name and corresponding page numbers are needed. Include a bolded word count.

Read a book of your choice from the below list.

Write a 400-500-word paper. Evaluate the plot, the main characters, and major themes in the book. Give your opinion of the book – state this as a thesis statement at the end of your introduction. Use quotes from the text (at least three). Your paper should be written in paragraph form with an introduction, two to three body paragraphs, and conclusion. Cite page numbers with the author’s last name in parentheses for your quotes. Make sure to check your grammar, spelling, and punctuation. You need a Works Cited page as the last page of your document. An MLA heading, original title and your last name and corresponding page numbers are needed. Include a bolded word count.

Book List:

Black Beauty, Anna Sewell
Bridge to Terabithia, Katherine Paterson
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Roald Dahl
Chomp, Carl Hiaasen
Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie, Jordan Sonnenblick
Hatchet, Gary Paulsen
Hoot, Carl Hiaasen
The Horse and His Boy, C.S. Lewis
The Magician’s Nephew, C.S. Lewis
Maniac Magee, Jerry Spinelli
My Side of the Mountain, Jean Craighead George
The Strange Case of Origami Yoda, Tom Angleberger
Stuart Little, E.B. White
The Watsons Go to Birmingham, Christopher Paul Curtis
Where the Red Fern Grows, Wilson Rawls
The Willoughbys, Lois Lowry