

Dear Rising Sixth Graders,

How exciting it is that summer is upon us! One of the many wonderful parts of summer is that it affords us the opportunity to read for pleasure! Attached, you will find a list of books from which you should choose TWO to read and report on. While you will need to complete your own reports, consider reading with a buddy, perhaps start your own book club! (Lemonade and a good book are a winning combination!)

Here's what you will need to have ready for your first day back to school in September:

- Complete the attached forms for each of the two books you read. **BRING THEM WITH YOU ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.**

A few pointers:

- You may want to use Post-It notes to "stop and jot" while you read
- Visualize while you read! This is super important and doing so helps you to better understand the content
- Think about text-to-text, text-to-self, and text-to-world connections as you read.

In addition to your required reading, you must complete at least FIVE hours of I-Ready Reading before August 5th. It is important that this be completed by August 5th as I-Ready will shut down for a few weeks in order to prepare for the new school year. As you know, I-Ready resets weekly so it is important that you keep track of your own time.

As you embark on the many exciting adventures summer is sure to bring, remember these words from Mary Schmich:

**"Reading is a discount ticket to everywhere."**

### READING LIST

TITLE	AUTHOR
<i>The One and Only Ivan</i>	Katherine Applegate
<i>Ella Enchanted</i>	Gail Carson Levine
<i>Souder</i>	William H. Armstrong
<i>The Secret Garden</i>	Frances Hodgson Burnett
<i>Walk Two Moons</i>	Sharon Creech
<i>Bud Not Buddy</i>	Christopher Paul Curtis
<i>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory</i>	Roald Dahl
<i>Old Yeller</i>	Fred Gipson
<i>From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</i>	E.L. Konigsburg
<i>A Wrinkle in Time</i>	Madeleine L'Engle

<i>Number the Stars</i>	Lois Lowry
<i>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</i>	Robert O'Brien
<i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i>	Scott O'Dell
<i>Wonder</i>	R.J. Palacio
<i>Hatchet</i>	Gary Paulsen
<i>The Westing Game</i>	Ellen Raskin
<i>The Tale of Despereaux</i>	Kate DiCamillo
<i>Holes</i>	Louis Sachar
<i>The Sign of the Beaver</i>	Elizabeth George Speare
<i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i>	Mildred D. Taylor

**Book Report Form #1**

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade 6

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

*Answer in complete sentences. You may need to use separate loose leaf. When describing a character, focus on their character traits.*

Describe the main character(s):

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Setting: (Where does the story take place?) \_\_\_\_\_

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Plot: (List, in order, six important events in your book.)

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

How did the story end? \_\_\_\_\_

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Did you like the book? Why or why not? (Please be specific)

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Book Report Form #2

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade 6

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

*Answer in complete sentences. You may need to use separate loose leaf. When describing a character, focus on their character traits.*

Describe the main character(s):

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Setting: (Where does the story take place?) \_\_\_\_\_

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Plot: (List, in order, six important events in your book.)

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8. \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

10. \_\_\_\_\_

11. \_\_\_\_\_

12. \_\_\_\_\_

How did the story end? \_\_\_\_\_

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Did you like the book? Why or why not? (Please be specific!)

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