

Incoming 7th graders:

Your summer reading assignment is the perfect way to keep your mind fresh and ready for the upcoming school year.

For your assignment, you will be asked to read two books from the list provided on the back of this page. After reading, you must complete ONE of the following for each book:

Biography/Autobiography

- Option 1: A biography is an account of someone's life written by someone else. Choose one of the characters from your book and write a biography about them.
 - Your biography should include: How old they are, who their friends/family are, how they are important to the story, any interesting/important quotes said by the character, and anything else you think is worth mentioning.
- Option 2: An autobiography is an account of someone's life written by that person. Choose one of the characters and write an autobiography about them.
 - Picture yourself as that character. How do they talk? What would they say about their own life? Would they exaggerate certain details, or would they be honest? Get creative with it!
- Your biography/autobiography should be at least a page long
- So just to be clear: You must write a **BIOGRAPHY** for one book and an **AUTOBIOGRAPHY** for the other one

A word of advice: Do not leave all of the reading until the last few weeks of summer. It will prevent you from actually enjoying your novels, and will only make you feel stressed out about completing your assignment on time. Read a few chapters of each book every night and you will be done before you know it!

*If you have another book in mind that is not on the reading list, **please run it by me first!**

7th Grade Summer Reading List

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer - Mark Twain

A Dog's Purpose - Bruce Cameron

Where the Red Fern Grows - Wilson Rawls

Field Trip - Gary Paulsen

The River - Gary Paulsen

The Great Gilly Hopkins - Katherine Paterson

The Thief - Megan Whalen Turner

Sand Dollar Summer - Kimberly K. Jones

The Cay - Theodore Taylor

Roller Girl - Victoria Jamieson