

Noble Leadership Academy  
6th-8th Grade Language Arts  
Summer Reading Assignments 2021  
Due Date: September 24, 2021

Research has shown that the single most important thing that a parent can do to help their child acquire language, prepare their child for school, and instill a love of learning in their child, is to encourage them to read.

**The Mandatory Summer Reading Assignments are as follows:**

Incoming 6th Grade:

- Freak the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick
- Second Book is your choice: Must be a book for literary merit

Incoming 7th Grade:

- Nothing but the Truth by Avi
- Second Book is your choice: Must be a book for literary merit

Incoming 8th Grade:

- The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton
- Second Book is your choice: Must be a book for literary merit

Here is a list of books you can refer to for your book of choice:

<https://imaginationsoup.net/summer-reading-list-for-kids/>

Summer Reading Assignments will count as one test grade and these books will be discussed in class with your teacher in September.

For each book you read, choose one of the following (you may choose the same option for each book):

Response Projects and Requirements

1. . Write a comic book version of your book.
  - Use 8 ½ x 11 inch paper (Create the book on the full page or folded hamburger-style.)
  - Comics should be colored.
  - Comic book should be 5 pages and/or explain the full narrative arc or plot.

2. Write a letter to the author that shows your reaction to the book.
  - Include all elements of a friendly letter (date, greeting, body, closing, & signature).
  - Include:
    1. Your opinion of the book and reasons for your opinion
    2. The character in the book you are most like and why
    3. Your favorite part of the book
    4. At least 2 questions you have about the book
  - Make sure you include your home or school address in the letter.
  - Letter should be one page in length
3. Write 3 diary entries that a character would write that include details about the story.
  - Diary entries should be at least 10 sentences each.
  - Diary entries can be typed or handwritten.
  - Each Diary entry should be  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a page
4. Create an illustrated timeline showing important events from the book.
  - Choose at least 10 important events from the story.
  - Write a description of each event, and draw & color an illustration for each event.
  - Each description should be 2 sentences long.
  - The events must be in the order in which they occurred.
5. Write a letter to the main character of your book asking questions, making a complaint or a suggestion, or writing your opinion about something that happened in the story.
  - Include all elements of a friendly letter (date, greeting, body, closing, & signature).
  - Letter should be one page in length
6. Write a ToSEEC Paragraph explaining the Theme or Main Idea of the story.
  - Topic Statement
  - Evidence from the text (2 evidences in the paragraph)
  - Elaborate on how the evidence connects to your topic statement (2 elaborating sentences)
  - Concluding sentence summing up your points.
  - ToSEEC should be one page in length