

8th Grade Summer Reading 2020

1) Choose <u>3 books to enjoy over the summer.</u> We recommend the following:

I'm Judging You: The Do Better Manual by Luvvie Ajay

The Track Series by Jason Reynolds

Poetry Speaks Who I Am: Poems of Discovery, Inspiration, Independence and Everything Else

The Mark of a Thief Trilogy by Jennifer A. Nielsen

Inkheart Trilogy by Cornelia Funke

The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton

Piecing Me Together by Renee Watson

Life of Pi by Yan Martel

The March Trilogy by John Lewis

Stupid Fast by Geoff Herbach

You're Welcome Universe by Whiney Gardner

Internment by Samira Ahmed

Chew on This by Charles Wilson and Eric Schlosser

An American Plague by Jim Murphy

Children of Blood and Bone Tomi Adeyemi

- 2) Log your minutes reading on the Nashville Public Library Summer Reading Log (or Readsquared app). Attach a paper log to turn in, or send a screen shot/picture to kathryn.garrett@mnps.org.
- 3) **Tic-Tac-Toe:** Choose 3 of the activities from the Tic Tac Toe to create a Row of 3 to share your knowledge about each book! This will count for the first homework grade (30 points total). Students can also earn incentives below for what they turn in to their teacher ELA teacher or send to kathryn.garrett@mnps.org by Friday, August 21

How do I earn incentives? Every level you complete earn your prizes!

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Summer Reading Challenge	Summer Reading Log (600	Summer Reading Log (600	
Log (600 minutes)=Receive	minutes) and ONE Tic-Tac-Toe	minutes) and ALL THREE Tic-	
prizes from the public library	<pre>project is complete = Library</pre>	Tac-Toe projects are complete=	
and one SSA Free pass for a	prizes, Isaac Litton Ice Cream Party,	Library prizes, Isaac Litton Ice	
day! (Attach your reading log,	and one SSA Free pass for a day.	Cream Party, and SSA Free for the	
or send a screen shot to	(Attach your project, or send a	month of September! (Attach your	
kathryn.garrett@mnps.org)	picture to	projects, or send pictures to	
	kathryn.garrett@mnps.org)	kathryn.garrett@mnps.org)	

Tic Tac Toe! Complete ONE project for each book that you read this Summer! Create a row of 3 for your first homework assignment, and each incentive level! All 3 are due Friday, August 21.

Book Advertisement:

Create a Tik Tok (or use a platform of your choice) to create an advertisement for your book! Who should read it? Why? How many stars would you give it? Be sure to share important plot points, without giving away any spoilers! (You can email a link to kathryn.garret@mnps.org, or your homeroom teacher, once the school year has started.)

Dear Diary!

Pretend to be one of the main characters from your novel and write a diary entry from the character's point of view.

Explain how this character is thinking/feeling about a pivotal event, major decision, etc.

Reflect on what is happening as well as how the character may be changed. (Must be one page)

Book Cover

Create a new and fresh cover for your book.

Your book cover must include the following things:

- the title and author
- at least one picture
- a summary of the book on the back cover

The summary must describe the characters and setting, highlight the major events and explain the major problem (but not reveal the ending). The summary should be at least 7 to 10 sentences.

Alternative Ending

Re-write your version of the ending of the book. You must include a description of the setting, character description and dialogue (conversation between characters), and come up with a NEW solution to the problem that was present in the book.

The new ending must be at least a paragraph (7 to 10 sentences in length) or longer.

Social Media Sleuth

Create a "screen shot" of what one of the main character's social media accounts might look like. Create the account, or draw what it might look like. Be sure to include comments, hashtags, and pictures that you think this character would use. Write a paragraph to explain why you made these choices.

Author Inquiry!

Write a letter to the author of your novel. Explain what you liked and disliked, ask any questions that you have about the story/characters, explain what you would have changed if you were the author, and mention at least one thing that you will always remember about this novel and why. (The letter should be written in friendly letter format and must be at least one page)

Newspaper Article:

Identify the major conflict (problem) in your book. Then, turn that conflict into an action packed news story.

The article should include the 5 W's (who, what, when, where, why) in descriptive detail using specific elements from the book.

Poetry Corner!

Write a poem or song lyrics that connects to your novel. You can focus on the plot (what happened), characters, or personal connections that you have with this novel.

*Must be at least 20 lines

Collage!

Create a collage depicting a theme from the novel. Explain how this collage depicts the theme in a separate paragraph (7 to 10 sentences in length). Use colorful pictures from magazines, print images from the web, or draw your own.

Due: Friday, August 21, 2020