

June 2019

Dear Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students,

Summer is just about here, which means you will have time for friends, family, camp, sports and a good book! It is a great chance for you to explore genres, find a new author or even a new series to love! Reading books over the summer will help increase your stamina, comprehension and reading level for September.

Throughout 7<sup>th</sup> grade, we will be studying several genres and learning new skills and strategies. Your summer assignments will help to prepare you with concepts you will be learning in the fall.

Your first assignment is to read a realistic fiction novel of your choice and complete a reading response sheet. Please make sure the book is on your level. If you are unsure you may use <https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/bookwizard/> to help you find the level of your book.

Your second assignment is to read a nonfiction narrative novel. Here is a list of popular middle school nonfiction books you may use:

<https://www.goodreads.com/shelf/show/middle-school-nonfiction>. You will be showcasing how you write about reading using higher-level skills with a minimum of 5 different strategies. This work will be done on separate notebook pages or on the computer and printed out. Here is a list of thinking work options:

- reflection of topic
- draw a sketch of a part that captures the heart of the text and explain
- timeline of events
- explain the central idea of the book and quotes that describe it
- what fascinates you about the topic, create a web of ideas
- draw symbols that represent the novel and explain
- sketch a map of the event and explain the importance
- create a graphic novel of 5 events
- write a letter or journal entry from one character's point of view
- create a word web of vocabulary words that revolve around the topic

Your work will be collected the first week of September so please be sure to bring in your reading response sheet, article and summary. Feel free to e-mail me with any questions: [domalewskia@nvnet.org](mailto:domalewskia@nvnet.org).

Have a wonderful summer, and enjoy reading!

Mrs. Fannell

Category	Number of Points	Points Earned
Completed all text evidence boxes with direct quotes from the novel and stated if it was character, setting, or theme	10	
Completed all annotations with thought provoking statements about character, setting, and theme	10	
Thinking work for nonfiction book (4 points for each page of thinking work)	20	
<p style="text-align: center;">Total:</p> <p>Name:</p> <p>Comments:</p>	Possible: 40 points	_____ / 40

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Book Title \_\_\_\_\_

## Summer Reading Realistic Fiction Reading Response

Please complete the graphic organizer with the following information:  
Page #, the quote from the text that you are writing about (include if its character, setting, or theme), and your annotation.

Annotations can be:

Tracking characters with their traits and relationships, how the setting impacts the characters and plot, and how the theme develops

<b>Page #</b>	<b>Text Evidence (character, setting, or theme)</b>	<b>Annotations (explain how it relates to character, setting, or theme)</b>

