7th Grade Suggested

Summer Reading List

2018-2019

Choose one of the following titles. Read the book in its entirety and complete one assignment from below.

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| **Title** | **Author** |
| Black Beauty | Anna Sewell |
| Captain Courageous | Rudyard Kipling |
| A Christmas Carol | Charles Dickens |
| The Colors of My Words | Lynn Joseph |
| The Dark is Rising | Susan Cooper |
| Dracula | Bram Stoker |
| Dragonwings | Lawrence Yep |
| The Glory Field | Walter Dean Myers |
| Hitch | Jeanette Ingold |
| Julie of the Wolves | Jean Craighead George |
| Life of Pi | Yann Martel |
| Old Yeller | Fred Gipson |
| The Prince and the Pauper | Mark Twain |
| The Summer of the Swans | Betsy Byars |

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* Create a timeline of the MAJOR events in your book. Use drawings or magazine cutouts to show the events along the timeline. Label each event.
* Plan a party for the characters in the book you read. In order to do this, complete each of the following tasks: (a) Design an invitation to the party that would appeal to all of the characters. (b) Imagine that you are the characters in the book and tell what each would wear at the party. (c) Tell what food you will provide and why your choices are appropriate. (d) Tell what games or entertainment you will provide and why your choices are appropriate. (e) Tell how the characters act at the party. (f) What kind of a party is this? (birthday, housewarming, anniversary, etc.)
* Write a character diary, writing at lease SIX journal entries as if you are the main character in the story. Write down events that happen during the story and reflect on how they affected the character and why.

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| Abe Lincoln Grows Up | Carl Sandburg |
| Across Five Aprils | Irene Hunt |
| The Call of the Wild | Jack London |
| The Endless Steppe | Ester Hautzig |
| Farewell to Manzanar | James D. and Jeanne W. Houston |
| Hatchet | Gary Paulesen |
| Jubilee | Margaret Walker |
| The Jungle | Upton Sinclair |
| Lost Horizon | James Hilton |
| Main Street | Sinclair Lewis |
| Never Cry Wolf | Farley Mowat |
| Parrot in the Oven | Victor Martinez |
| A Separate Piece | John Knowles |
| The Story of My Life | Helen Keller |

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