



5th - 8th Grade Summer 2010 Reading List

Grade 5

Mandatory:

Bud, Not Buddy - Christopher P. Curtis

Choice Book: Choose one of the following -

1. The Twenty-One Balloons - William Pene du Bois
2. The Cay - Theodore Taylor

Grade 6

Mandatory:

The View from Saturday - E.L. Konisburg

Choice Book: Choose one of the following -

1. Black and Blue Magic - Zilpha Keatly Snyder
2. The Slave Dancer - Paula Fox

Grade 7

Mandatory:

Heart of the Shepherd - Roseanne Parry

Choice Book: Choose one of the following -

1. Witch of Blackbird Pond - Elizabeth Spear
2. The Writing on the Wall - Wendy Lichtman

Grade 8

Mandatory:

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn - Mark Twain

Choice Book: Choose one of the following -

1. The Hound of the Baskervilles - Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
2. And Then There Were None - Agatha Christie

Students will have assignments to do over the summer that will coincide with the **mandatory** summer reading book. The project for the choice book will be given out when school begins in September. Students will complete the project on their choice book during the second week of school. Have a summer full of wonderful reading adventures.

Grade 5 Assignment:

- **Compare and Contrast Chart and one-paragraph essay**
- **Character Suitcase Project**

Grade 6 Assignment:

- **Watch for Signs Worksheet**
- **Project: Choice between Academic Bowl Game or Scrapbook/Treasure Box**

Grade 7 Assignment:

- **Personal Reflections Diary**
- **Theme Collage Project**

Grade 8 Assignment:

- **What Has Huck Learned Worksheet**
- **Two Response Essays**
- **Theme in a Bottle Project**

All work should be your best work. The written work must be in your best cursive handwriting or typed. Written work will be assessed on thoroughness, neatness, grammar, punctuation, and capitalization. Projects will be assessed on creativity/originality, neatness, and following directions. If you have any questions as you are working on the assignments over the summer, please feel free to email Ms. Cookson @ ecookson@newburyportcatholic.org. I will get back to you within 24 hours.