

# 7th Grade Summer Reading

## Required Reading

Read *Red Kayak* by Priscilla Cummings and complete the *Red Kayak* foldable assignment that accompanies it.

AND

## Self-Selected Reading

Students must read two other books THEY HAVE NOT READ BEFORE. If you are looking for suggestions, below is a list of books chosen by students in previous years, but ANY BOOK may be selected as long as it complies with the **Guidelines for Self-Selected Reading**.

Suggestions from previous years (again, these are only suggestions; **you are free to pick books not on this list**):

1. *The Journey Back* (the sequel to *Red Kayak*) by Priscilla Cummings
2. Any book in the *Percy Jackson* series by Rick Riordan
3. *Everything, Everything* by Nicola Yoon
4. *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children* by Ransom Riggs
5. *Smile* by Raina Telgemeier
6. *The Wednesday Wars* by Gary D. Schmidt
7. *The Giver* by Lois Lowery
8. *The Girl Who Drank the Moon* by Kelly Barnhill
9. *Holes* by Louis Sachar
10. *Crossover* or *Rebound* by Kwame Alexander

Complete the assignments after reading the two books you select on your own. Make sure to complete one assignment sheet for one story and to complete the other assignment sheet for the second story. **DO NOT complete the same assignment for both!**

## Guidelines for Self-Selected Reading

Any book/s may be selected but students must:

- 1) Choose a book that is both appropriate for the student's age and reading level.
- 2) Discuss the choice with a parent before reading it.
- 3) Be prepared to complete assignments their teachers may make after school begins.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Due: First Day of School

Title of Self-Selected Novel: \_\_\_\_\_

### Self-Selected Summer Reading Activity 1

Directions: To be completed with one of your self-selected summer reading books. Do not do both activities for the same book.

Choose four important characters from the novel. Then compare each one to another character in another book or movie. Write 2-3 sentences that explain why the characters are similar.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ from my summer reading book \_\_\_\_\_ is similar to \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ because

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ from my summer reading book \_\_\_\_\_ is similar to \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ because

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3. \_\_\_\_\_ from my summer reading book \_\_\_\_\_ is similar to \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ because

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4. \_\_\_\_\_ from my summer reading book \_\_\_\_\_ is similar to \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ because

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### Self-Selected Summer Reading Activity 2

Directions: To be completed with one of your self-selected summer reading books. Do not do both activities for the same book.

Directions: Choose one of your self-selected summer reading books (not the same one you chose for the other assignment) and choose an important scene from the story. First, illustrate that scene- you may use any medium you like (pencil, ink, colored pencils, marker, crayons, collage, etc.) but the illustration must be colorful. Then select a song that you think represents that scene in some way. Write 3-5 sentences explaining why you think that song symbolizes that scene.

Illustration:

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

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