

NAMS Summer Reading List 2021 (*Optional*)

If completed, the assignment will be recorded as a Major Grade for ELA.

6th Grade: Choose from one of the following:

1. *Bridge to Teribithia* by Katherine Paterson
2. *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis
3. *The Egypt Game* by Zilpha Keatly Snider
4. *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by J.K. Rowling
5. *I Heard the Owl Call My Name* by Margaret Craven
6. *The Island* by Gary Paulsen
7. *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry
8. *The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster
9. *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry* by Mildred D. Taylor
10. *Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson

7th and 8th Grade: Choose from one of the following:

1. *Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson
2. *I am Malala* by Malala Yousafazi
3. *The Boys Who Challenged Hitler* by Phillip M. Hoose
4. *The Family Romanov* by Sophie Kinsella
5. *Farewell to Manzanar* by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston
6. *Finding Audrey* by Sophie Kinsella
7. *I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives* by Martin Ganada and Caitlin Alifrenka
8. *Undertow* by Michael Buckley
9. *An Ember in the Ashes* by Sabaa Tahir
10. *Night* by Elie Wiesel

Assignment for Summer Reading Novel:

Assignment is due Aug, 17, 2021.

Reading Journal: Choose one novel from the reading list for the grade you will enter in the Fall of 2021. As you read the novel, be an active reader--mark, highlight, or make notes as you see fit so that you may more easily find specific passages. Then, create charts like the ones below. As you read, you will complete the reader response chart. You will also choose five (5) quotes that stand out to you. Copy the quote, the page number and the speaker in the left column. Respond to the questions about the quotes in the right column.

Create two charts like the ones below (you may copy and paste the charts below). Answer the following questions as you read the novel.

Reader Response Prompts	Sample Response
Before Reading: Making predictions: Think about the genre/title/author/setting. What do you think the novel will be about? What makes you think that?	I believe the novel will be about an unlikely friendship developed through an exchange of letters. I think this because the cover shows two very remote settings, and the characters seem to have a connection.
Making predictions: What challenges do you think the characters might face?	
During Reading: Self Monitoring: What have you noticed about the story? Are there parts that have confused you? What reading strategies did you use while reading?	
Inferring: What is the message of the story? What have you noticed that the author might not have explicitly told you? Is the setting important to the story? Why or why not?	
After Reading: What questions do you still have? What questions would you ask the author?	

	Quote Selections: Include quote, speaker and page number.	Sample Quote Response
Quote 1	<p>“Summer was our best season: It was sleeping on the back screened porch in cots, or trying to sleep in the treehouse; summer was everything good to eat; it was a thousand colors in a parched landscape; but most of all, summer was Dill.” Scout p. 36</p>	<p>Is there figurative language present? If so, identify it. Why did you choose this quote? Explain the significance. Sample response: There are multiple metaphors in this quote describing summer. I chose this quote because of Scout’s love of summer. I feel like it represents her innocent perception of the season and</p>

		how she longs for freedom.
Quote 2		
Quote 3		
Quote 4		
Quote 5		