

Seventh Grade Summer Reading Assignment

2019

Reading is an important part in becoming a life-long learner. Reading research notes that the volume and quality of independent reading have a direct correlation to overall student achievement. Moreover, the more you read, the more successful you are in school. Your summer reading will offer you a wonderful opportunity to expand your reading experiences.

Students entering the seventh grade for the 2019/2020 school year will be *required* to read **ONE** book over the summer, but encouraged to read more by using the attached bingo sheet. After reading the required nonfiction book, complete the attached questions. All other books that you read should be entered onto the bingo sheet in the appropriate spot with the required information. The questions and bingo sheet will be turned in the first week of school for a grade. If this information gets misplaced, you can find these handouts and the Indiana Reading List on the St. Pius website. Choose a nonfiction book from the Indiana Reading List. **You must read a book that you have not read before.** Please write as neatly as possible when completing the review form. Use the fiction books below in the appropriate spaces on your summer reading bingo sheet.

Required Nonfiction Book List

Nonfiction: Science, Social Studies, and Mathematics

Across America on an Emigrant Train – Murphy, Jim

The American Revolutionaries – Meltzer, Milton

Bound for America: Forced Migration of Africans – Haskins, James

The Brooklyn Bridge: They Said It Couldn't be Built – St. George, Judith

Cathedral: The Story of its Construction – Macaulay, David

Digger: The Tragic Fate of the California Indians – Stanley, Jerry

Farewell to Manzanar – Houston, Jeanne Watzkuzki

Girls Think of Everything: Stories of Ingenious Inventions by Women – Thimmesh, Catherine

The Great Fire – Murphy, Jim

Hiroshima – Hersey, John

History of Women in Science for Young People – Epstein, Vivian

The I Hate Mathematics! Book – Burns, Marilyn

Kennedy Assassinated! The World Mourns – Hampton, William

A Night to Remember – Lord, Walter

No Pretty Pictures: A Child of War – Lobel, Anita

Orphan Train Rider – Warren, Andrea

Safari Beneath the Sea: The Wonder of the Pacific Northwest – Swanson, Diane

Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World – Armstrong, Jennifer

Space Station Science: Life in Free Fall – Dyson, Marianne

Wildlife Rescue: The Work of Dr. Kathleen Ramsay – Dewey, Jennifer Owings

Biography/Autobiography

King of the World: Muhammed Ali and the Rise of an American Hero – Remnick, David

The Life and Death of Crazy Horse – Freedman, Russell

Shadow Catcher: Life & Work of Edward S. Curtis – Lawlor, Laurie

Amelia Earhart: Courage in the Sky – Kerby, Mona

The Story of Thomas Alva Edison – Cousins, Margaret

Zlata's Diary: A Child's Life in Sarajevo – Filipovic, Zlata

Benjamin Franklin: The New American – Meltzer, Milton

Homesick: My Own Story – Fritz, Jean

The Children of Willesden Lane: Beyond the Kindertransport - Golabek, Mona and Lee
Cohen

My Life with the Chimpanzees – Goodall, Jane

All Creatures Great and Small – Herriot, James

Thomas Jefferson: The Revolutionary Aristocrat – Meltzer, Milton

On the Court with. . .Michael Jordan – Christopher, Matt

Lives of the Writers – Krull, Kathleen

The Great Little Madison – Fritz, Jean

Eleanor Roosevelt: A Life of Discovery – Freedman, Russell

Bully for You, Teddy Roosevelt – Fritz, Jean

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Student name: _____ Parent signature: _____

Title of the book: _____ Author(s) _____

Genre: _____ Year book published: _____

Nonfiction Book Review Form

All questions must be answered in 5-7 complete sentences on a separate sheet of paper. Answers may be typed. Remember to use the RACE method: Restate the question, Answer the question, Cite evidence from the text, Explain.

Please attach the paper to this form.

1. Why did you choose this book?
2. Write a short summary of the story. Be sure to use transitions and specific details from the text.
3. What new information did you learn about this topic after reading the book? Be specific.
4. Write a recommendation on the book. What would you tell a friend? Specifically, what did you love or hate about the book? Why?

Suggested Fiction Books

White Fang

Jack London

Catherine, Called Birdy

Karen Cushman

Touching Spirit Bear

Ben Mikaelson

The Westing Game

Ellen Raskin

Hatchet

Gary Paulsen

The Sea of Monsters

Rick Riordan (*or any other Rick Riordan book*)

The Hound of the Baskervilles

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer

Mark Twain

The Kite Rider

Geraldine McCaughrean

Chains

Laurie Halse Anderson