

Entering Sixth and Seventh Grade, Summer Reading



Dear Parents of 2018-2019 students entering sixth and seventh grade,

Attached, you will find a list of summer reading books for your son or daughter to choose from. Make sure he or she chooses from the correct list (the grade they will be entering next year). Also, you will find questions to be completed before the first day of the 2018-2019 school year. Over the summer, your child will be expected to read one book from the list which must be within their ZPD reading range. This can be found in the student's most recent STAR report. They will hand in their **typed** responses to the questions on the first day of school. An Accelerated Reader comprehension quiz will be given when they return.

Relax and enjoy your summer.

Entering Seventh Grade, Summer Reading List



The Alchemyst

Scott, Michael

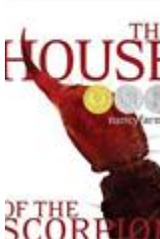
AR Quiz No. 115134 EN Fiction

IL: **MG** - BL: **6.4** - AR Pts: **14.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP**

Rating: ★★★★★

While working at summer jobs, 15-year-old twins, Sophie and Josh, find themselves caught up in a deadly, centuries-old struggle between rival alchemists, Nicholas Flamel and John Dee, over the possession of secret formulas. Book #1



The House of the Scorpion

Farmer, Nancy

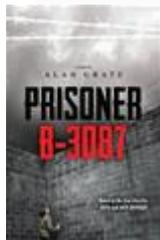
AR Quiz No. 61393 EN Fiction

IL: **MG+** - BL: **5.1** - AR Pts: **15.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP, VP**

Rating: ★★★★★

In a future where humans despise clones, Matt enjoys special status as the young clone of El Patrón, the 140-year-old leader of a corrupt drug empire nestled between Mexico and the United States.



Prisoner B-3087

Gratz, Alan

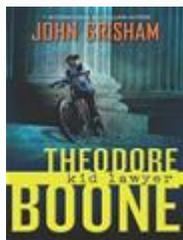
AR Quiz No. 156573 EN Fiction

IL: **MG+** - BL: **4.9** - AR Pts: **7.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP, VP**

Rating: ★★★★★

Based on the true story of Jack and Ruth Gruener, this book shares a story of survival from the Nazi occupation of Kraków through a series of concentration camps to the final liberation of Dachau. The text contains disturbing descriptions of violence.



Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer

Grisham, John

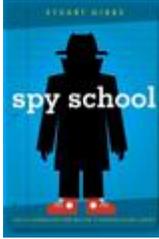
AR Quiz No. 137599 EN Fiction

IL: **MG** - BL: **5.2** - AR Pts: **8.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP, VP**

Rating: ★★★★★

Thirteen-year-old Theodore Boone, a legal whiz kid, gets caught up in a high-profile murder trial in his town. Book #1 **OR ANY BOOK IN THIS SERIES**



Spy School

Gibbs, Stuart

AR Quiz No. 150928 EN Fiction

IL: **MG** - BL: **5.3** - AR Pts: **9.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP**

Rating: ★★★★★

Twelve-year-old Ben Ripley leaves his public middle school to attend the CIA's highly secretive Espionage Academy, which everyone is told is an elite science school. Book #1 **OR ANY BOOK IN THIS SERIES**



Granted

Anderson, John David

AR Quiz No. 193864 EN Fiction

IL: **MG** - BL: **5.5** - AR Pts: **11.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP**

Rating: ★★★★★

In a magical land called the Haven lives a young fairy named Ophelia Delphinium Fidgets. Ophelia is no ordinary fairy, she is a Granter: one of the select fairies whose job it is to venture out into the world and grant the wishes of unsuspecting humans.



Felix Yz

Bunker, Lisa

AR Quiz No. 192287 EN Fiction

IL: **MG** - BL: **5.3** - AR Pts: **8.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP**

Rating: ★★★★★

Thirteen-year-old Felix Yz chronicles the final month before an experimental procedure meant to separate him from the fourth-dimensional creature, Zyx, with whom he was accidentally fused as a young child.



Hunger: A Tale of Courage

Napoli, Donna Jo

AR Quiz No. 194118 EN Fiction

IL: **UG** - BL: **3.9** - AR Pts: **8.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP**

Rating: ★★★★★

In the autumn of 1846 in Ireland, twelve-year-old Lorraine and her family struggle to survive during the Irish potato famine. Lorraine meets Miss Susanna, the daughter of the wealthy English landlord who owns Lorraine's family's farm.



[Stranger](#)

Brown, Rachel Manija

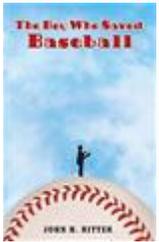
AR Quiz No. 180647 EN Fiction

? IL: MG+ - BL: 4.9 - AR Pts: 17.0

? AR Quiz Types: RP

? Rating: ★★★★★

All electronics now useless, the world is a dark and dangerous place. Ross must decide whether to run or confront the tyrant coming for him and his secret. The coauthor is Sherwood Smith.



[The Boy Who Saved Baseball](#)

Ritter, John H.

AR Quiz No. 70572 EN Fiction

? IL: **MG** - BL: **4.4** - AR Pts: **7.0**

? AR Quiz Types: **RP, RV, LS, VP**

? Rating: ★★★★★

The fate of a small California town rests on the outcome of one baseball game, and Tom Gallagher hopes his team can win with the secrets of a disgraced former player, Dante Del Gato.



[Travel Team](#)

Lupica, Mike

AR Quiz No. 80501 EN Fiction

? IL: **MG** - BL: **5.4** - AR Pts: **11.0**

? AR Quiz Types: **RP, VP**

? Rating: ★★★★★

After he is cut from his travel basketball team, the very same team that his father once led to national prominence, twelve-year-old Danny Walker forms his own team of cast-offs that might have a shot at victory.

Type your answers to the following questions and have them ready the first day of school.

1. What is the setting (time and place) of your book? Did it play an important role in the conflict of the story? If so, how did it affect the plot?
2. Who are the main character(s) in your book? What is their most noticeable personality trait? Which character did you relate to the most? Why? (you cannot write none)
3. How did the character(s) change?
4. Which character would you want to meet? Why?
5. What was the main conflict (what did the character(s) want in the story? What did they have to do to try to solve the conflict? What decisions did they make in solving the problem that you would have done differently and/or the same?
6. What did you think of the ending? What would you suggest the author change?
7. What is a theme (underlying message about a topic, critical belief about life) in the book? Relate this to your own life experiences or to other books you have read.
8. What is your general feeling about the book? Explain. What would you say to someone who might want to read this book?