

## Sixth and Seventh Grade Summer Reading

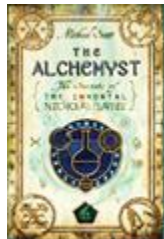


Dear Parents of 2017-2018 seventh grade students,

Below is a list of books for summer reading. Attached you will find a list of questions to be completed before the first day of the 2016-2017 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 (ZPD range is for current students only). 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.

## Seventh Grade Summer Reading List



### The Alchemyst

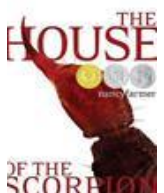
Scott, Michael

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

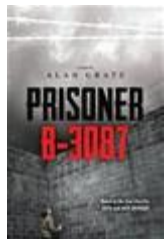
AR Quiz No. 61393 EN Fiction

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

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

AR Quiz Types: **RP**

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

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**



### [Jungle of Bones](#)

Mikaelson, Ben

IL: MG - BL: 5.3 - AR Pts: 7.0

AR Quiz Types: RP

Rating: ★★★★★

When teenager Dylan is caught joyriding in a stolen car, he is sent to his ex-Marine uncle for the summer. Soon they are on the way to Papua New Guinea in search of a World War II fighter plane, and Dylan discovers defiance is not a survival skill.



### [Cover-Up: Mystery at the Super Bowl](#)

Feinstein, John

IL: MG+ - BL: 4.9 - AR Pts: 10.0

AR Quiz Types: RP, VP

Rating: ★★★★★

Fledgling fourteen-year-old sports reporters Susan Carol and Stevie Thomas investigate suspicious activities at the Super Bowl after Stevie is fired from his co-anchor job on a ground-breaking teen sports show.



### [The Land of Stories: The Wishing Spell](#)

Colfer, Chris

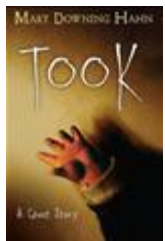
IL: MG - BL: 5.0 - AR Pts: 15.0

AR Quiz Types: RP

Rating: ★★★★★

Through the mysterious powers of a book, twins Alex and Conner leave their world behind and find themselves in a foreign land full of wonder and magic, where they come face-to-face with the fairytale characters they grew up reading about. Book #1

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### [Took: A Ghost Story](#)

Hahn, Mary Downing

AR Quiz No. 176205 EN Fiction

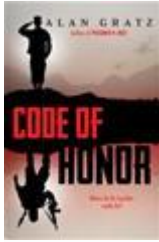
IL: **MG** - BL: **4.3** - AR Pts: **7.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP**

Rating: ★★★★★

A witch called Old Auntie is lurking near Daniel's family's new home. He doesn't believe in her at first but is forced to accept that she is real and take action when his little sister, Erica, is "took" to become Auntie's slave for the next fifty years.

## [Code of Honor](#)



Gratz, Alan

AR Quiz No. 176814 EN Fiction

IL: **UG** - BL: **4.7** - AR Pts: **10.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP**

Rating: ★★★★★

When Iranian American Kamran Smith learns that his big brother, Darius, has been labelled a terrorist, he sets out to piece together the codes and clues that will save his brother's life and his country from a deadly terrorist attack.



## [Mortal Engines](#)

Reeve, Philip

AR Quiz No. 74320 EN Fiction

IL: **MG+** - BL: **6.6** - AR Pts: **13.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP, VP**

Rating: ★★★★★

When cities move about and consume smaller towns, a fifteen-year-old apprentice is pushed out of London by the man he most admires and must seek answers in the perilous Out-Country, aided by one girl and the memory of another. Book #1



## [Impyrium](#)

Neff, Henry H.

AR Quiz No. 185202 EN Fiction

IL: **MG+** - BL: **5.7** - AR Pts: **24.0**

AR Quiz Types: **RP**

Rating: ★★★★★

Hazel, the youngest member of the royal family, is happy to leave ruling to her sisters so that she can study her magic. But the empress has other plans for her granddaughter, dark and dangerous plans to exploit Hazel's talents. Book #1

**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?