

Rippowam Middle School Summer Reading Assignment
Due by: September 11, 2020

Name: _____

Purpose: To examine a text and demonstrate your understanding through citing evidence and analysis.

Task: Select a **new** text at an appropriate reading level. (**Not** a book you have already read.)

Do NOT choose a book from the list below as we will be reading these books in the coming school year:

6th grade: [*A Wrinkle in Time*](#), [*Inventing Elliot*](#), [*Mississippi Trial*](#), [*Baseball in April*](#), [*Hatchet*](#), [*Julie of the Wolves*](#), [*Touching Spirit Bear*](#).

7th grade: [*Tomorrow When the War Began*](#), [*Scorpions*](#), [*River Boy*](#), [*Miracle Worker*](#), [*Secret Life of Bees*](#), [*Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*](#), [*Watsons Go to Birmingham-1963*](#), [*The Diary of a Young Girl*](#), [*Chinese Cinderella*](#), [*A Christmas Carol*](#), [*The Pearl*](#)

8th grade: [*The Outsiders*](#), [*Night*](#), [*Animal Farm*](#), [*Out of the Dust*](#), [*The Contender*](#), [*Nothing But the Truth*](#), [*The Wednesday Wars*](#), [*The Giver*](#), [*I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*](#), [*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*](#), [*Fahrenheit 451*](#).

Suggested genres to choose from: realistic fiction, mystery/thriller, science fiction, sports, survival outdoor/adventure, fantasy, dystopian fiction, historical fiction, nonfiction, biography, memoir

Book resources:

- <https://www.nutmegaward.org/>
- <https://stamford.overdrive.com/library/teens>
- <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/booklistsawards/booklistsbook>
- Sora eBooks and Audiobooks <https://soraapp.com/library/stamfordct>
- Ferguson Library is providing access to many digital texts:
 - <https://fergusonlibrary.org/remote-resources-for-youth/>
 - Students can apply for a library card: <https://ferguson.iii.com/selfreg.html>
 - If they don't have a library card, use your school ID to access our many digital materials, even if they don't have a Ferguson Library card.
 - For access, enter 2111800+student ID number (no spaces). If you encounter any issues accessing our e-materials or databases, please contact Ferguson.



GRADING POLICY



- This assignment will be assessed **thoroughly** using the district designed **rubric** (found on the following pages), which aligns with the Common Core State Standards
- For every day it is **late**, students will **lose 5 points**
- **No assignments** will be accepted **after September 18th**

Title: _____

Author: _____

A “Memory Jar” is where one places meaningful items to remember important times in his/her life.

Example Item: wedding invitation

Reasoning: I always want to remember the joy and excitement of my wedding day. The invitation is a physical reminder of the events of the day, the people that came, the location, and the new relationship that was formed.

Directions:

1. Come up with a minimum of three items that the main character would place in his/her memory jar (they must be important to that character).
2. Then, illustrate (draw/color or create a Google document) the three significant items in the jar.
3. On the next page, name the item, then **explain** why the main character would feel it is significant; use text evidence (author page) and explain how it supports your thinking.



Item #1:

Text evidence and explanation:

Item #2:

Text evidence and explanation:

Item #3:

Text evidence and explanation:

<u>Standards Aligned Rubric:</u>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says (RL/RI 6/7/8.1)• Determine and analyze character development over the course of the text (RL/RI 6/7/8.5)• Produce clear and coherent writing (W 6/7/8.4)
Exceeds (25)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fully addresses the task• Thoroughly supports all ideas by citing relevant information from the text.• Includes an insightful analysis and connection
Meets (22)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fully addresses the task• Adequately supports ideas by citing relevant information from the text.• Includes a clear and effective analysis and connection
Emerging (19)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Does not fully address the task• Gives limited evidence to support ideas and cites limited information from the text.• Attempts to develop an analysis and connection
Does Not Meet (16)	An attempt is made to address the task; however, the writing does not provide evidence to support ideas, includes little to no relevant information, does not reflect any analysis or is vague.
No Task (0)	The task is not completed or does not match the requirements.