

Summer Homework Assignment

5th Grade Entering 6th Grade

Please note that this work is mandatory. All work will be collected on the first day of school.



You are to read (3) books:

REPORT A: *My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George
Hope Was Here by Joan Bauer

REPORT B: A choice from the suggested list below

Requirements for Report A

Book Report: After reading *My Side of the Mountain* and *Hope Was Here*, write a five paragraph comparative essay that is based on the books and that includes an introduction paragraph, three body paragraphs, and a conclusion paragraph:

1. Book Report Cover
 - a. Student name and grade
 - b. Title of book and author
 - c. Illustration
 2. Essay Topic: What is conflict?
 - a. Body Paragraph 1: What is Hope's conflict?
 - b. Body Paragraph 2: What is Sam's conflict?
 - c. Body Paragraph 3: How do the characters overcome conflict? How does conflict add to the plot lines?
 3. Your opinion of the novels (included in the conclusion)
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Requirements for Report B

Book Report: You will write a reflective essay that includes an introduction paragraph, three body paragraphs, and a conclusion paragraph. Your report should answer the questions on the following page:

Name: _____

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1. What book did you choose?
 - a. Summary of book: characters, setting, problem, main events, solution
 2. What was your favorite part of the book? Why? Describe using details
 3. Would you recommend this work? Why or why not? Provide a thoughtful and reflective discussion.
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5th Grade Entering 6th Grade Suggested Bibliography

- *Rules* by Lord
- *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by O'Dell
- *The Mortal Instruments* by Cassandra Clare
- *Divergent* by Roth
- *The Hunger Games* by Collins
- *True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle* by Avi
- *Going Home* by Nicholas Mohr
- *Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt
- *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry
- *Sing Down the Moon* by Scott O Dell
- *Anne of Green Gables* by L.M. Montgomery
- *The Yearling* by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings
- *Ghosts I Have Seen* by Richard Peck
- *Woodsong* by Gary Paulsen
- *Serafina's Promise* by Burg
- *A Tangle of Knots* by Graff
- *Hatchet* by Paulsen
- *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis
- *Mockingbird* by Erskine
- *A Long Walk to Water* by Park
- *We the Children* by Clements
- *My Life as a Book* by Tashjian
- *City of Ember* by DuPrau
- *Slob* by Potter