

Rose Park Middle Magnet School
Rising 5th Grade Summer Reading List
Summer 2017



Hello Rising Fifth Graders,

To prepare for your first year in middle school, we are going to require all fifth graders to read 1 book from our summer reading list. Any of these books can be found at your local library, bookstore, or online if you choose to purchase it.

You are required to read one book and to complete two assignments based on the text you choose. The list below contains your choices of required books and assignment details follow.

It is recommended that you begin reading the text no later than July 1, 2017 in order to have enough time to thoroughly complete the two assignments. Your two summer reading assignments will be due on Wednesday, August 23, 2017. Bring projects on the due date.

Required Summer Reading List (choose only 1):

1. The True Blue Scouts of Sugar Man Swamp by Kathi Appelt
2. Found by Margaret Peterson Haddix
3. The Humming Room by Ellen Potter
4. Wringer by Jerry Spinelli
5. Sugar by Jewell Parker Rhodes
6. The Eye of the Storm by Kate Messner
7. How to Steal a Dog by Barbara O'Connor
8. The Night Gardener by Jonathan Auxier
9. Everest by Gordon Korman
10. The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate

Summer Reading Assignments:

Complete both assignments based on the one book you selected from the above list.

- A) **Book Summary** - You must complete a summary of the text that is handwritten on notebook paper. You must answer in complete sentences (no fragments) making sure that you spell words correctly so that your sentences can be clearly understood. Also, do not write outside of the red margins. Take your time so that your sentences are neat. Using the 4th-5th grade informational writing rubric from the Tennessee Department of Education, compose your informational summary, which should include an introduction, appropriate quotations, and a conclusion. You can find the rubric at https://www.tn.gov/assets/entities/education/attachments/tst_data_writing_inf_expl_rubric_gr4.pdf.
- B) **Book Talk**- You must plan a book discussion based on the book you select. Your questions must delve deeper than who, what, when, and where. For beginning, middle, and end of each book, you must write at least three questions to guide your book talk. In all, you should have at least nine questions. Your questions can address theme, character development, word choice, point of view, impact of setting, etc. Questions should be handwritten.
- C) **Cover Page**- Be sure to write your name, the title of the book you chose, and the date on a cover page. Neatly staple or use a report holder for all completed work.

Enjoy reading your book and completing the two assignments! Be mindful when creating your book talk questions. Also, be thorough with your book summary. This will be your first opportunity to demonstrate your reading and writing skills to the 5th grade team.

Have a safe summer!
The Fifth Grade Team