

Summer Reading Assignment

Greetings, Grade 6 Scholars-

Summer is almost upon us! I know you are eagerly anticipating your vacation. I am looking forward to my vacation as well. Among other things, I am looking forward to doing some fun reading. I am sure you will visit libraries, and have plenty of time to read all kinds of books this summer. If you are looking for interesting suggestions, please refer to the attached book list.

Please plan on reading at least one book each month. At the end of each summer month (June, July, August), please write a quick handwritten paragraph about what you read, and if you would recommend the book to your classmates.

Paragraphs should:

- Include your book title and author's name
- Give a recommendation
- Explain 3 supporting reasons for your recommendation
- Be a maximum of one page each

In addition, I would like everyone to read one common book to prepare for our sixth grade literacy class. That book is *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle. If you have already read this book, then you may substitute another title in the series. Please complete a creative project about *A Wrinkle in Time*. The purpose of the project is to teach about the story, and to perhaps inspire others in the school to read it. Please bring your three paragraphs and your creative project to school on your first day in the fall.

Happy Reading!

Mrs. Mazur

Creative Project Expectations

- Choose one project from the below list to complete about *A Wrinkle in Time*. The choice is yours, and the project should demonstrate your own work.
- The completed creative project should be turned in on your first day of sixth grade. All poster/ project making guidelines that you learned in fifth grade also apply to fifth grade! Take your time and please be neat. Your name, as well as the title and author of the book should be neatly displayed as part of your project.
- Remember, while it is all right to receive help from an adult, all of the work should be your very own.

Project Choices

1. REARRANGE A PASSAGE AS A "FOUND" POEM. Find a particularly effective description or bit of action that is really poetry written as prose. Rewrite it. Leave out words or skip a sentence or two, but arrange it to create a poem.
2. WRITE A PROMOTION CAMPAIGN FOR A MOVIE ABOUT THE BOOK. This should include several things, such as newspaper ad layouts, radio and television commercials, and special events.
3. COOK A FOOD MENTIONED IN YOUR BOOK. It is always fun to share something to eat with your family. Please cook your recipe at home. Bring in a photo of your delectable treat as well as the recipe. Write a paragraph to explain how the recipe goes along with the book.
4. DESIGN A TIMELINE FOR THE EVENTS IN THE STORY. Label each event carefully and write a brief explanation of several of the main events.
5. DESIGN A DETAILED MAP OR MAPS FOR THE SETTING(S) OF THE BOOK. Label each location carefully and write a brief description of the key places.

6. **COMPILE A SCRAPBOOK OR A MEMORY BOX.** Choose one of the major characters in your book, and, as that person, put together a scrapbook or memory box of special memories and mementoes. Be true to your character. Write a list to explain each included item.
7. **DESIGN A TRAVEL BROCHURE.** Illustrate and advertise the "world" of your novel.
8. **DESIGN AND PRODUCE A SERIES OF POSTCARDS.** On one side of each draw/paint/reproduce an appropriate photo and on the other side compose a related message to yourself from one of the characters.
9. **BE A MODERN ARTIST.** Using various mediums, create a collage or diorama that comments on a particular theme or issue in the book. Write a paragraph to explain why you chose these things to go into your collage or diorama.
10. **COMPLETE SCALE DRAWINGS OF ROOMS IN A BOOK.** Use graph paper with a set scale and design places portrayed in a book. Write a paragraph to explain how the drawings go along with the book.

