

## **7<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading Assignment June 2010**

1. Nonfiction Book – Write a letter to the author –may choose a book not on the list
2. Fiction Book – Must be taken from book list supplied
3. Two Social Studies Current Events
4. Two Science Articles

You may use the format sheets given or type assignments for the nonfiction and fiction book reports.

### **THE CURRENT EVENTS AND SCIENCE ARTICLES:**

1. Choose two newspaper articles (one in July and one in August) on politics.
2. Choose two articles from a newspaper or magazine that deal with new information in the world of science.
3. On looseleaf paper or typed, put your proper heading, write the name of the author, date of the article, and write a summary about the article. **Attach the article to your assignment.**
4. Each current event and science article summary must be on separate pieces of paper. The current events articles will count towards your social studies grade, and the science articles will go towards your science grade for the first trimester.  
The nonfiction and fiction reports will go towards their reading grade.

**ALL ASSIGNMENTS ARE DUE THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.  
FAILURE TO HAND IN ASSIGNMENTS ON TIME WILL RESULT  
IN A GRADE OF 0%.**

**Please cut off and return tomorrow!!!**

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**I am aware of the summer reading assignments that are due on the first day of school.**

**Student's name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Current class:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_



# FICTION BOOK REPORT

Title of book: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Setting: Where and when does your story take place? Be descriptive and use complete sentences.

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Plot: A short summary of what the story is about. Be descriptive and use complete sentences.

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Main character: Who is the story about? Write a descriptive paragraph of at least six sentences about the character. Include what they looked like and how they acted.

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Theme: Why do you think the author wrote this story? What message were they trying to send? What did you learn from this story?

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Evaluation: What were the things you especially liked or disliked about the book? Explain why you would or would not recommend this book to others.

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# Fiction/Non Fiction cont'd Grades 6-8

<i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i> .....	Taylor, Mildred
<i>The Cay</i> .....	Taylor, Theodore
<i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i> .....	Twain, Mark
<i>The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</i> .....	Twain, Mark
<i>The Homecoming</i> .....	Voight, Cynthia
<i>So Far from the Bamboo Groove</i> .....	Watkins, Yoko Kawashima
<i>Myths and Legends</i> .....	White, Terry Ann
<i>Night</i> .....	Wiesel, Eli
<i>Dragonwings</i> .....	Yep, Laurence
<i>The Pigman</i> .....	Zindel, Paul

## Folklore

<i>The Chest and the Hide and Other African Stories</i> .....	Cowlander, Harold
<i>The People Could Fly</i> .....	Hamilton, Virginia
<i>Three Strong Women</i> .....	Stamm, Claus
<i>Favorite Folktales from Around the World</i> .....	Yolen, Jane

## Fantasy and Science Fiction

<i>Book of Three</i> .....	Alexander, Lloyd
<i>I, Robot</i> .....	Asimov, Isaac
<i>The Foundation Series</i> .....	Asimov, Isaac
<i>Fahrenheit 451</i> .....	Bradbury, Ray
<i>Martian Chronicles</i> .....	Bradbury, Ray
<i>Moss Flower</i> .....	Brian, Jacques
<i>Monsters Ring</i> .....	Covelle, Bruce
<i>George's Marvelous Medicine</i> .....	Dahl, Roald
<i>The Eye, Ear and Arm</i> .....	Farmer, Nancy
<i>Mythical Monsters</i> .....	Gould, Charles
<i>Phantom Tollbooth</i> .....	Juster, Norton
<i>Swiftly Tilting Planet</i> .....	L'Engle, Madeline
<i>The Giver</i> .....	Lowry, Lois
<i>Dragonquest</i> .....	McCaffrey, Anne
<i>The Hobbit</i> .....	Tolkien, J. R. R.
<i>War of the Worlds</i> .....	Wells, H. G.
<i>Great Grandfather's Dragons Tale</i> .....	Yolen, Jane

## Poetry

<i>The Sun is On</i> .....	Barron, Linda Michelle
<i>Reflections on a Gift of Watermelon Pickle</i> .....	Dunning, Stephen
<i>Joyful Noise</i> .....	Fleischman, Paul
<i>You Come Too</i> .....	Frost, Robert
<i>Inner Chimes</i> .....	Goldstein, Bobbi
<i>Dreams</i> .....	Hughes, Langston
<i>The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere</i> .....	Longfellow, William
	Wadsworth
<i>The Highwayman</i> .....	Noyes, Alfred

## Drama

<i>The Story Machine</i> .....	Asimov, Isaac
<i>The Hitchhiker</i> .....	Fletcher, Lucille
<i>The Diary of A Young Girl</i> .....	Frank, Anne
<i>The Miracle Worker</i> .....	Gibson, William
<i>Inherit the Wind</i> .....	Lawrence & Lee
<i>Julius Caesar</i> .....	Shakespeare, William
<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i> .....	Shakespeare, William
<i>I Remember Mama</i> .....	Van Druten, John
<i>Our Town</i> .....	Wilder, Thornton
<i>The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the Moon Marigolds</i> .....	Zindel, Paul

**Fiction and Non-Fiction**

Grades 6 - 8

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>
<i>Watership Down</i> .....	Adams, Richard
<i>Little Women</i> .....	Alcott, Louisa May
<i>Sounder</i> .....	Armstrong, William
<i>Tuck Everlasting</i> .....	Babbitt, Natalie
<i>Stories of Gods &amp; Heroes</i> .....	Benson, Sally
<i>Cross Sections</i> .....	Biesty, Stephen
<i>Tiger Eyes</i> .....	Blume, Judy
<i>Histories of Immigrant Teens</i> .....	Bode, Janet
<i>The Moths Make the Man</i> .....	Brooks, Bruce
<i>The Secret Garden</i> .....	Burnett, Frances H.
<i>Summer of the Swans</i> .....	Byars, Betsy
<i>White Mountains</i> .....	Christopher, John
<i>House on Mango Street</i> .....	Cisneros, Sandra
<i>AGirl from Yamhill</i> .....	Cleary, Beverly
<i>Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes</i> .....	Coerr, Eleanor
<i>My Brother Sam is Dead</i> .....	Collier, James & Christopher
<i>Face on the Milk Carton</i> .....	Cooney, Caroline
<i>Catherine Called Birdie</i> .....	Cushman, Karen
<i>D'Aulaires Book of Greek Myths</i> .....	D'Aulaire, Ingrid & Edgar
<i>The Courage of Sara Noble</i> .....	Dalglish, Alice
<i>Great Expectations</i> .....	Dickens, Charles
<i>Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglas</i> .....	Douglas, Frederick
<i>April Morning</i> .....	Fast, Howard
<i>Zlata's Diary</i> .....	Filipovic, Zlata
<i>Biography of a Young Girl</i> .....	Frank, Anne
<i>Johnny Tremain</i> .....	Forbes, Elizabeth
<i>The Wright Brothers</i> .....	Freedman, Russell
<i>Eleanor Roosevelt : A Life of Discovery</i> .....	Freedman, Russell
<i>Photobiography of Abraham Lincoln</i> .....	Freedman, Russell
<i>My Side of the Mountain</i> .....	George, Jean Craighead
<i>Summer of My German Soldier</i> .....	Greene, Bette
<i>Phoebe and the General</i> .....	Griffin, Judith
<i>M. C. Higgins the Great</i> .....	Hamilton, Virginia
<i>The Trouble With Lemons</i> .....	Hayes, Daniel
<i>Eye of the Beholder</i> .....	Hayes, Daniel
<i>The Old Man and the Sea</i> .....	Hemingway, Ernest
<i>Hiroshima</i> .....	Hersey, John
<i>The Outsiders</i> .....	Hinton, S. E.
<i>Thank You, M'am</i> .....	Hughes, Langston
<i>Charles</i> .....	Jackson, Shirley
<i>Phantom Tollbooth</i> .....	Juster, Norton
<i>From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil Frankweiler</i> .....	Konigsburg, E.L.
<i>21 Great Stories</i> .....	Lass, Abraham
<i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> .....	Lee, Harper
<i>The Call of the Wild</i> .....	London, Jack
<i>Number the Stars</i> .....	Lowry, Lois
<i>Skylark</i> .....	MacLachlan, Patricia
<i>Anne of Green Gables</i> .....	Montgomery, Anne
<i>Owls in the Family</i> .....	Mowat, Farley
<i>Scopes Trial</i> .....	Murphy, Jim
<i>Fallen Angels</i> .....	Myers, Walter Dean
<i>Shiloh</i> .....	Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds
<i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i> .....	O'Dell, Scott
<i>Animal Farm</i> .....	Orwell, George
<i>Lyddie</i> .....	Paterson, Katherine
<i>Hatchet</i> .....	Paulsen, Gary
<i>The Foxman</i> .....	Paulsen, Gary
<i>The Giver</i> .....	Paulsen, Gary
<i>Hatchet</i> .....	Paulsen, Gary
<i>Woodson</i> .....	Paulsen, Gary
<i>Westing Game</i> .....	Raskin, Ellen
<i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i> .....	Rawls, Wilson
<i>The Upstairs Room</i> .....	Reise, Johanna
<i>Upstairs Room Journey Home</i> .....	Reise, Johanna
<i>Killer Angels</i> .....	Shaara, Michael
<i>Call It Courage</i> .....	Sperry, Armstrong
<i>Maniac Magee</i> .....	Spinelli, Jerry
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