



Dear Students,

Summer is the perfect time to become lost in a good book. One of the major benefits of reading is how it contributes to our personal growth. Reading allows you to learn from the experiences of others.

You will be required to read *Eleven* by Tom Rogers and 2 other books from the following list. However, please don't limit yourself! Read for enjoyment and growth this summer! Read and discuss books with your friends and family!

You have two (2) literature assignments to complete over the summer. The first assignment can be typed or neatly handwritten. Be sure to write in complete sentences with proper punctuation and well-developed paragraphs. This assignment will be submitted on your August Conference date. Be prepared to have a literature discussion with your classmates during Orientation Cycle.

Your entries will be assessed for insightfulness of content.

As you read, it is important to be aware of your thinking. To help guide your thinking while you read, ask yourself the following questions and respond thoughtfully:

- Where does this story take place? What is this place like? When did this story take place? Have you ever been to a place like this? If not, would you like to visit a place like this? Why or why not?
- Who has a problem in this story? Describe the problem this character had. Was the problem solved? How? Did this same problem ever happen to you? Was your problem similar? How did you solve it?
- What was the plot or main idea? How did the story begin? What happened in the middle of the story? How did this story end? Can you think of another way this story might have ended?
- Who are the main characters in your story? Did you like the main characters? Why or why not? Do any of the characters change? In what way? Do you agree with everything the main characters do? Why or why not?
- Draw a significant image/scene and explain in a short paragraph why you thought it was significant.
- Write a letter to one of the characters. (minimum 3/4 page in friendly letter format.)

Your second literature assignment is to choose a book from the Summer Reading list to read. **Create** a book jacket using the following rubric. This assignment is due on the first day of school. The book jackets will be presented and displayed during the Kensington Hall Middle School Orientation Cycle. Be creative and have fun with this project!

If you have any questions about your summer reading, please email one of us!

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Summer Reading Book Jacket Grading Rubric

Front Cover ____ / 15

- Design a cover for your book jacket that includes:
 - The title of the book (3)
 - The author's name (2)
 - A creative illustration. This should be eye-catching and reflect an important part of the book. Your illustration can be hand drawn, with colored pencils or markers, or designed on the computer. (This must be an original creation.)

Book Spine ____ / 05

- The title of the book (2)
- The author's name (2)
- Publisher's logo (1)

Back Cover ____ / 30

- In the top section of the panel, including a rating of this book with a detailed explanation in paragraph form (100 words). (10)
- In the middle section, write a description of a favorite scene with a detailed explanation in paragraph form (100 words). (10)
- In the bottom section, include your favorite quote from the book with a detailed explanation in paragraph form of who said it, to whom it was said, why it was said, and why you like the quote (100 words). (10)

Front Cover Flap ____ / 15

- In the upper section of the flap, include a summary of the major events that occur in the book in paragraph form (150 words). (10)
- At the very bottom of the flap, include your name and date. (5)

Back Cover Flap ____ / 20

- In the upper section of the flap, include a small picture of author with a short biography of author (50 words). (10)
- In the lower section of the flap, write a short explanation of the creative, original artwork used on the front cover flap. (75 words). (10)

Spelling/Grammar ____ / 10

- Be sure to revise and edit your book jacket, checking for correct spelling, grammar, punctuation, and well-written paragraphs. (10)

Overall Creativity & Neatness ____ / 05

- Try to be as creative as possible with your book jacket. Use lots of colors and use your imagination! Book jacket should be neatly put together, without torn or ripped edges or pieces of paper falling off. Written portions should be easy to read. (5)

TOTAL POINTS: ____ / 100

Book Jacket Project details

<p>Inside Back Cover Flap:</p> <p>Author picture</p> <p>Author biography (50 words)</p>	<p>Back Cover:</p> <p>Favorite character or characters of this book with explanation in paragraph form. Excluding main character. (100 words)</p> <p>Favorite scene: Describe a favorite scene with explanation in paragraph form (100 words)</p> <p>Favorite Quote: From book with explanation in paragraph form of who said it, and why you like the quote. (100 words)</p>	<p>Front Cover:</p> <p>Title & Author's Name</p> <p>Artwork: Creative, original artwork illustrating the book. This may be a favorite scene in the story or a picture of the main character.</p> <p>Do not recreate the actual cover. Be Creative!</p>	<p>Inside Front Cover Flap:</p> <p>Summary of events in book in paragraph form (150 words)</p> <p>Student's name, period, and date at bottom.</p>
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Directions:

- Format information as shown above.
- Paper size:
 - * If created by hand: 12" x 18" or 11" x 14"; any color paper you choose
 - * If created on the computer: 8 1/2" x 11"; any color paper you choose
- Design a book jacket that will be folded like the example above.
- You may use the computer to help with your design, or you may create your jacket by hand, or a combination of both.
- Design your book jacket so it includes the above information.
- Be original! Be creative! Use color! Use your imagination! Have fun!
- Please write about the author and book using your own words. No plagiarism allowed.

Kensington Hall Grades 5/6 Summer Reading List

- Souder*, Armstrong
Tuck Everlasting, Babbit
The Indian in the Cupboard, Banks
Peter and the StarCatchers (Peter and the StarCatchers series), Barry and Pearson
On My Honor, Bauer
The Johnny Dixon Mystery series, Bellairs
Unbound: A Novel in Verse, Burg
The Great Quarterback Switch, Christopher
Artemis Fowl series, Colfer
The Dark is Rising series, Cooper
Red Badge of Courage, Crane
Bud, Not Buddy, Curtis
The Journey of Little Charlie, Curtis
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Dahl
James and the Giant Peach, Dahl
My Near Death Adventures (99% True), DeCamp
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane, DiCamillo
The Tale of Despereaux, DiCamillo
David Copperfield, Dickens
Great Expectations, Dickens
The Hardy Boys series, Dixon
City of Ember (Ember series), DuPrau
Ballpark Mysteries series, Early
The Ranger's Apprentice Series, Flanagan
Everybody's Revolution, Fleming
My Father's Dragon series, Gannett
Joey Pigza series, Gantos
My Side of the Mountain, George
Belly Up (FunJungle series), Gibbs
Old Yeller, Gipson
Football Genius series, Green
Left Out, Green
Honus & Me, Gutman
The Adventure of Tintin, Hergé
Defeat of the Ghost Riders (Trailblazer Books), Jackson and Jackson
The Phantom Tollbooth, Juster
Astrotwins, Kelly
Diary of a Wimpy Kid (series), Kinney
The 39 Clues series, Korman
Zoobreak (Swindle series), Korman
A Wrinkle in Time (Time Quintet), L'Engle
The Chronicles of Narnia series, Lewis
Doctor Dolittle series, Lofting
White Fang, London
Travel Team (Danny Walker series), Lupica
The Night They Stole the Stanley Cup (Screech Owls series), MacGregor
Edge of Extinction series, Martin
Peter Pan in Scarlet, McCaughrean
The Art of Manliness, McKay and McKay
Snow Treasure, McSwigan
The Little Britches series, Moody
Five Kingdoms series, Mull
Shiloh (The Shiloh Quartet), Naylor
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIHM, O'Brien
Bridge to Terabithia, Paterson
Word of Mouse, Patterson and Grabenstein
Hatchet (series: Brian's Saga), Paulsen
The River (A Hatchet Adventure), Paulsen
The Story of King Arthur and His Knights, Pyle
Where the Red Fern Grows, Rawls
Towers Falling, Rhodes
Half Upon a Time, Riley
Percy Jackson and the Olympians series, Riordan
Harry Potter series, Rowling
Holes, Sachar
Wayside School series, Sachar
Lord of the Deep, Salisbury
Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy, Schmidt
The Wednesday Wars, Schmidt
The Cricket in Times Square (Chester Cricket and His Friends series), Seldon
A Series of Unfortunate Events series, Snicket
Encyclopedia Brown series, Sobol
Baseball in April and Other Stories, Soto
Maniac Magee, Spinelli
The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, Stevenson
Treasure Island, Stevenson
Addison Cooke and the Treasure of the Incas, Stokes
Gulliver's Travels, Swift
The Cay, Taylor
The Friendship (Logan Family Saga), Taylor
The Island of Dr. Moreau, Wells
The War of the Worlds, Wells
Stuart Little, White
The Trumpet of the Swan, White
Leepike Ridge, Wilson
Okay for Now, Wilson
The Dragon's Tooth (Ashtown Burials series), Wilson

Please note: If you read a book on this list that is part of a series, your other choice should not be another book from the same series. Try some variety!