

Summer Learning Activity: English

Your summer activity for English is to read books for fun. If you read books from our list, you can submit each book you read to try to win the reading challenge. Our top readers in grades 6, 7 and 8 will win a prize!

Instructions:

- Use the Summer Book Guide to find books to read this summer.
 - If you will be in grades 6 or 7 next year, use [Summer Book Guide 2020 Grades 6-7](#)
 - If you will be in grade 8 next year, use [Summer Book Guide 2020 Grade 8](#)*These lists have also been emailed to you
- Buy or borrow books you choose from the list. (Paper copies, eBooks and audiobooks are all allowed.)
- Read a book of your choosing from the list, or a sequel to any book on the list. The only rule is that you have to be reading it for the first time. *you can read other books if you want, but only books on the list will count towards winning the reading challenge.
- Whenever you finish a book on the list or a sequel to a book on the list, go to the [Summer Reading Form](#).
 - <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfgp43F0lbhwKaqI3MjD0ITu27AioKfEQBkpW-Z0AWwezbsw/viewform>
- Fill in the information for the book you read.
- Students who read the most books (from the list or sequels to books on the list) will win a prize when we go back to school!

Mystery

Books that will have you wondering until the end.

Low Difficulty

- A Good Girl's Guide to Murder** by Holly Jackson. 13+. Story about a closed local murder case that doesn't add up, and a girl who's determined to find the real killer.
- Skink: No Surrender** by Carl Hiaasen. 12+. When your cousin goes missing under suspicious circumstances, who do you call? There's only one man for the job: a half-crazed, half-feral, one-eyed ex-governor named Skink.

High/Low

- Bone Gap** by Laura Ruby. 14+. The story of Roza, a beautiful girl who is taken from a quiet midwestern town and imprisoned by a mysterious man.
- The Diviners** by Libby Bray. 15+. Evie O'Neill has been exiled from her boring old hometown and shipped off to the bustling streets of New York City, and she's worried someone will discover her dark secret: a supernatural power.
- Truly Devious** by Maureen Johnson. 14+. True-crime aficionado Stevie Bell is set to begin her first year at Ellingham Academy, and she has an ambitious plan: She will solve the cold case of the school's founding.
- We Were Liars** by E. Lockhart. 13+. A beautiful and distinguished family. A private island. A brilliant, damaged girl; a passionate, political boy. A group of four friends—the Liars—whose friendship turns destructive.

Medium Difficulty

- More Than This** by Patrick Ness. 14+. A boy drowns, desperate and alone in his final moments. He dies. Then he wakes up, alive. How can this be? And what is this strange deserted place?
- Murder is Bad Manners** by Robin Stevens. 10+. Daisy Wells and Hazel Wong are best friends at Deepden School for girls, and they both have a penchant for solving mysteries.
- The Mysterious Benedict Society** by Trenton Lee Stewart. 10+. "Are you a gifted child looking for special opportunities?" Dozens of children respond to this peculiar ad in the newspaper...
- Paper Valentine** by Brenna Yovanoff. 13+. Someone in Hannah Wagner's peaceful suburban community is killing girls.
- York: The Shadow Cipher** by Laura Ruby. 10+. In the 1800s, mysterious architects left New York the Old York Cipher—a puzzle laid into the shining city they constructed, at the end of which was promised a treasure beyond all imagining.



Summer Reading Challenge

Enter the books you read this summer!

Your email address (evansc@asf.edu.mx) will be recorded when you submit this form. Not you? [Switch account](#)

* Required

Name (first and last) *

Your answer

Student number

Your answer

Book title *

Your answer

7. Teachers in the English and Social Studies department have challenged themselves to read at least four books this summer. Ask them what books they read in the summer to see if they met the challenge!

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