



Carroll Middle School
English Language Arts: Summer 2021
Rising 6th Grade Summer Reading and Related Assignment

If you have any questions related to the 6th grade summer reading assignment, please contact Jenny Talentino, Language Department Head, at the following email address: jtalentino@carrollschool.org

Reading Assignment:

Students are responsible for reading ONE book: *Home of the Brave* by Katherine Applegate

Required Reading: *Home of the Brave* by Katherine Applegate

- All 6th grade students are expected to read the book *Home of the Brave* by Katherine Applegate. Purchase of this book is NOT required.
- It is available at local libraries and in the following forms: hard copy, paperback, and Kindle.
- If your child exhibits any difficulty decoding and/or comprehending this book, reading it aloud with him or her or choosing an option such as an audio version is perfectly acceptable.
- In addition to reading the book, students are required to complete the following assignment:
 - Create a project related to *Home of the Brave*; the directions are on the reverse side of this sheet. Sometime during the first two weeks of school, students will informally present their projects to the teacher and students in their ELA classes. They do not need to bring their projects on the first day of school.

Project Assignment for *Home of the Brave*

Directions:

1. Create a project related in some way to the book *Home of the Brave*. See the chart below for suggestions.
2. Be prepared to share your project with the teacher and students in your 6th grade ELA class.

Suggested Projects

Suggestions	Notes
1. Create an artifact .	Build an artifact (object) that represents a main theme or idea in your book. Example: a giant paper maché peach for <i>James and the Giant Peach</i>
2. Draw a portrait .	Draw an accurate poster-sized portrait of your favorite character. Use details from the book that describe the character.
3. Design a book cover .	Make a new book cover for the book. Remember to include a front, back, and inside flaps. Do NOT copy an existing book cover - create your own unique cover!
4. Create a collage .	Make a collage of pictures, words, and phrases that in some way represent your book's characters, setting, and plot. Use technology to be even more creative!
5. Draw or use pictures to make a storyboard .	Draw or use pictures to make a Storyboard outlining the main events in the book. This can be done by hand or using a software program such as StoryboardThat
6. Build a diorama	Build a diorama (three-dimensional picture) of the book's climax or your favorite scene.
7. Build a mobile	Build a mobile showing the main character and significant events.
8. Create a visual timeline	Create a visual timeline of the book. Technology maybe used.
9. Create a PowerPoint or Google Slide presentation .	Create a PowerPoint or Google Slide presentation with each slide representing the book's characters, setting, and plot. Include pictures and other visuals.