

## Battle of the Books: Summer Reading at Newman

In addition to grade level specific required reading, Newman offers a curated list of additional books to explore over the summer months. We challenge students to read as many books as they can over the summer to prepare for the year ahead and to continue their learning during the break. In the fall, we will reward the student from each grade level group (7/8, 9/10, 11/12) who reads and documents the most books. Grade level winners receive a gift card to our local independent bookstore, Trident on Newbury Street!

Here are the instructions for the summer “Battle of the Books” competition:

- Students must complete the summer reading requirement for their grade level
  - Read the text & respond to the guiding questions
  - [Required Summer Reading & Questions](#)
- Students must write a “Good Reads” style review to document each additional text they read this summer. We recommend putting all reviews on one Google Document.
  - [“Good Reads Review” template](#)
- Book lists are suggestions! All students are welcome to read and document books not included on the list.
  - More challenging (or significantly longer) books will be weighted accordingly
  - [Grades 7&8 Booklist](#)
  - [Grades 9&10 Booklist](#)
  - [Grades 11&12 Booklist](#)
- Students will submit their reviews to their English teachers the week before school starts this fall.
  - Your classroom English teacher will create a dropbox in Managebac
  - If you are a new student and not sure how to access Managebac, reach out to your English teacher via email.

