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Due Date: First Day Of School

Fifth Grade Summer Reading

- Incoming fifth grade students are required to read **three** books over the summer. Two of those books are of your choosing.
- The other book, *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate is required reading for all incoming fifth grade students. Reading classes will begin with a discussion of these books, along with accompanying assignments.
- From **one** of the two books of your choosing (not *The One and Only Ivan*), you will create a book report. The details for the assignment are on the next page.

List the titles and authors here:

Title #1: *The One and Only Ivan*
Author: Katherine Applegate

Title #2: _____

Author: _____

Title #3: _____

Author: _____

Please submit your book report and this sheet on the first day of school.

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Summer Book Report : Reading Response

For this assignment, you will share your connections, reactions, and reviews of the characters and plot developments in the form of two paragraphs.

Our Expectations:

- We expect you to type your paragraphs in size 12 and Times New Roman font. Please double-space your paragraphs.
- We expect your first paragraph to be at least ten sentences long with solid topic and concluding sentences. (Of course, we will happily accept longer paragraphs!) Your second paragraph should be at least five sentences long.

Structure:

- Heading:** This should include your name, the date, and the title of your book
- Paragraph #1:** This paragraph will introduce the book. Describe in detail the setting and main characters of the story. You should summarize the plot without giving away too much information. Describe in detail the problem and the solution to the story.
- Paragraph #2:** This paragraph will be your response to the story. For this paragraph, answer the bold question AND one additional question:
 - **Would you recommend we add this book to our classroom library?**
 - What surprised you about the story or characters?
 - What connections did you make to the story or characters?

Submission of Work:

You must work in your Google Drive accounts under a new folder, with your name and "summer reading." For example, if your name is Melissa Freeman, your folder should be "Melissa FreemanSummer Reading." Please share this folder with Ms. Freeman at mfreeman@gbwl.org, and Ms. Cavanaugh at acavanaugh@gbwl.org.

Reading Response Example:

Name

Date

Summer Book Review

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown is a science fiction novel about a robot that forms connections with animals living in the wild. The story is set on an unknown island, and Roz, the robot, arrives there after the ship carrying her is destroyed in a hurricane. Once on the island, Roz is treated like a monster by the animals. However, after realizing she is not there to harm them, the animals form a deep connection with Roz and she becomes their friend. Roz even becomes a mother to an orphaned gosling named Bightbill. As Roz spends more time on the island, she begins to form emotions not normally associated with a robot. Roz goes from a mechanical creature, to a loving, compassionate robot, that can't imagine life without the animals on the island.

This story was exceptional! It would be a wonderful addition to any classroom library. Students who enjoy reading about a character who changes over the course of a book, will love reading about Roz's adventures. Roz reminded me of a new baby learning everything for the first time. I could relate to this because I have a little brother, and he looks at everything with excitement, just like Roz!

Have a WONDERFUL summer!

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Fifth Grade Summer Reading Rubric

Use the checklist below to make sure that you include all the required elements for your Summer Reading Book Reports.

Part I: Reading Response

Paragraph 1:

- Setting
- Main characters
- Problem
- Solution
- Ten sentences
- Topic and concluding sentence
- Size 12, Times New Roman, Double Spaced

Paragraph 2:

- Answered two questions
- 5 sentences
- Topic and concluding sentence
- Size 12, Times New Roman, Double Spaced