



## Summer Reading Assignment Incoming 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer 2024

Participate in the Summer Reading Challenge by reading 20-30 minutes per day and tracking that time on the [St. Anne Summer Reading Challenge Log](#). Students who read 1,000 minutes this summer will be eligible for a free dress pass in the fall!

In addition, incoming 8<sup>th</sup>-grade students are expected to complete two assignments over the summer for their English class: a Response to Reading assignment for one book of fiction and one book of nonfiction. *Nota Bene:* Academic+ students also have an additional assignment: to read Paulo Coelho's *The Alchemist* and complete the study guide.

### Response to Reading

Read one work of fiction and one work of nonfiction from the following list. Complete a Character Analysis or Story Map for the work of fiction and an Infographic for the work of nonfiction that you choose. If you would like to read a book not on this list, please contact [glay@st-anne.org](mailto:glay@st-anne.org) for approval before reading.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading List

#### **Fiction:**

*Watership Down*, by Richard Adams  
*Little Women*, by Louisa May Alcott  
*The Crossover*, by Kwame Alexander  
*The Door Within*, by Wayne Batson  
*The Benefits of Being an Octopus*, by Ann Braden  
*The Hunger Games*, by Suzanne Collins  
*Face on the Milk Carton*, by Caroline B. Cooney  
*The Boggart*, by Susan Cooper  
*The Grey King*, by Susan Cooper  
*Audacity*, by Melanie Crowder  
*Blended*, by Sharon M. Draper  
*The Wild Book*, by Margarita Engle  
*Mockingbird*, by Kathryn Erskine  
*The House of the Scorpion*, by Nancy Farmer  
*Bull Run*, by Paul Fleischman  
*Shadow Spinner*, by Susan Fletcher  
*The Inquisitor's Tale*, by Adam Gidwitz  
*Summer of My German Soldier*, by Bette Greene  
*M.C. Higgins, the Great*, by Virginia Hamilton  
*The Lie Tree*, by Frances Hardinge  
*Unbroken*, by Laura Hillenbrand  
*Alex Rider*, by Anthony Horowitz  
*Across Five Aprils*, by Irene Hunt

*A Good Girl's Guide to Murderr*, by Holly Jackson  
*Good Girl, Bad Blood*, by Holly Jackson  
*Kill Joy*, by Holly Jackson  
*Five Survive*, by Holly Jackson  
*The Acorn People*, by Ron Jones  
*Inside Out and Back Again*, by Thanhha Lai  
*Day of Tears: A Novel in Disguise*, by Julius Lester  
*Gathering Blue*, by Lois Lowry  
*Fish Girl*, by Donna Jo Napoli  
*Bloom*, by Kenneth Oppel  
*Jacob Have I Loved*, by Katherine Paterson  
*Maximum Ride*, by James Patterson  
*The Read Pencil*, by Andrea Davis Pinkney  
*The Westing Game*, by Ellen Raskin  
*Divergent*, by Veronica Roth  
*Between Shades of Gray*, by Ruta Sepetys  
*I Must Betray You*, by Ruta Sepetys  
*The Hired Girl*, by Laura Amy Schlitz  
*Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*, by Mildred Taylor  
*The Hobbit*, by J.R.R. Tolkien  
*The Real Boy*, by Anne Ursu  
*Paperboy*, by Vince Vawter  
*Dacey's Song*, by Cynthia Voigt  
*Deathwatch*, by Robb White

*American Born Chinese*, by Gene Yang  
*Saints*, by Gene Yang  
*Boxers*, by Gene Yang  
*The Book Thief*, by Markus Zusak

**Nonfiction:**

*Trapped: How the World Rescued 33 Miners*, by Marc Aronson  
*Balcony on the Moon*, by Ibtisam Barakat  
*Tasting the Sky: A Palestinian Childhood*, by Ibtisam Barakat  
*Terrible Typhoid Mary*, by Susan Campbell Bartoletti  
*Tommy: The Gun That Changed America*, by Karen Blumenthal  
*Drowned City: Hurricane Katrina and New Orleans*, by Don Brown  
*The Great American Dust Bowl*, by Don Brown  
*Seeds*, by Nancy Castaldo  
*Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings*, by Margarita Engle  
*The Wild Book*, by Margarita Engle  
*Eyes Wide Open*, by Paul Fleischman  
*Norse Mythology*, by Neil Gaiman  
*The Distance Between Us: Young Reader's Edition*, by Reyna Grande  
*Making Mavericks*, by Frosty Hesson and Ian Spiegelman

*Vincent Van Gogh: The Portrait of an Artist*, by Jan Greenberg and Sandra Jordan  
*Portraits of Hispanic American Heroes*, by Juan Felipe Herrera  
*The Boy Who Challenged Hitler*, by Phillip Hoose  
*The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Young Reader's Edition*, by William Kamkwamba  
*Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer*, by Tracy Kidder  
*Dear Miss Breed*, by Joanne Oppenheim  
*The Omnivore's Dilemma*, by Michael Pollan  
*Chew On This: Everything You Don't Want to Know About Fast Food*, by Eric Schlosser  
*Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War*, by Steve Sheinkin  
*The Port Chicago 50*, by Steve Sheinkin  
*Undefeated: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team*, by Steve Sheinkin  
*The Beloved World of Sonia Sotomayor*, by Sonia Sotomayor  
*Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story*, by Caren Stelson  
*Some Writer! The Story of E.B. White*, by Melissa Sweet  
*No Crystal Stair: Life of Lewis Michaux, Harlem Bookseller*, by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson  
*Chew on This*, by Eric Schlosser & Charles Wilson  
*Who Was First: Discovering the Americas*, by Russell Freedman

**Directions:**

1. Login to your St. Anne Google Drive account.
2. Click on the link for the assignment you want to complete:  
Fiction: [Character Analysis](#) or [Story Map](#) or Nonfiction: [8th Grade Infographic Directions](#)
3. When the view-only document appears, click on "File" and then on "Make a Copy."
4. Rename the copy with your name and the assignment's name. (ex. Ima Student Story Map)
5. Complete the assignment based on the instructions at the top of the slide.
6. When you are ready to submit, click the yellow "Share" button at the top right of the screen. Share it with [glay@st-anne.org](mailto:glay@st-anne.org). Be sure to allow commenting.
7. Academic+ students only:
  - Print out [The Alchemist study guide](#)
  - Read *The Alchemist* and complete the study guide as you read the novel. You will turn in a hard copy of your completed study guide to Mr. Lay on **the first day** of school.

If you are unable to access the files or submit through Google Drive, please email [glay@st-anne.org](mailto:glay@st-anne.org) for assistance.

## **MATH**

### **Directions:**

- If you were in Pre-Algebra with Ms. Peach, click on [PreAlgebra 11 Days of Math Summer 2024](#)
- If you were in Algebra 1A with Ms. Peach, click on [Algebra 1A Summer Review 2024](#)
- If you were in Algebra with Mrs. Devine, click on [Algebra Summer Review 2024](#)
- Print a copy of the entire packet.
- During the summer, complete all of the problems in the packet.
- Put your name on the packet.
- Be prepared to turn in your completed Incoming 8th-grade math packet during the first week of school in August.