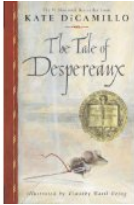


CLASS	TITLE OF TEXT	COVER	AUTHOR	ISBN#	PUBLISHER / ORDERING LINK & NOTES
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading: Language Arts	<i>The Tale of Despereaux</i>		DeCamillo, Kate	978-0763625290 or 978-0763680893	Purchase an unmarked book <a href="#">Amazon</a> & <a href="#">Amazon</a>
<p><b>Summary</b> Despereaux is a small mouse with big dreams, who loves light, music, and Princess Pea. After being thrown into the dungeon and facing the dark world, he meets a cast of characters who guide him through personal discovery and, ultimately, happiness.</p>					
<p><b>Directions</b> While reading the book, complete the <a href="#">Reading Comprehension packet</a> (hard copies distributed to students by Mrs. Trainor the last week of the school).  Also, pay special attention to the use of light and dark in the novel. Think about what "light" symbolizes and what "dark" symbolizes. Use small "flag" sticky notes to tag places in the novel that show lightness and darkness. Use one color of sticky note for light and a different color for dark. You should have 3-5 examples for each light and dark from the story. Be prepared to have a discussion about your examples.</p>					
<p><b>Purpose</b> We will discuss the plot, characters, problem and solution, and symbolism in class. Students will also take an AR quiz on the book.</p>					
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