







Entering 7th Grade (6th to 7th) Summer Reading



Checklist At a Glance:

- Read at least one story from the required text *Auggie & Me* by R.J. Palacio.** This is a follow-up to the novel, *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio read at the end of 6th grade.
 - Read either *The Julian Chapter* and/or *Pluto* and/or *Shingaling*

- Complete at least one of the provided writing guides** (for each story, there is a choice of a handwritten version to print out **or** a digital version to make a copy in Google Drive for typed responses)
 - The Julian Chapter*
 -  6-7 The Julian Chapter Handwritten.pdf
 -  6-7 The Julian Chapter Digital (go to “File” and then “Make a copy”)
 - Pluto*
 -  6-7 Pluto Handwritten.pdf
 -  6-7 Pluto Digital (go to “File” and then “Make a copy”)
 - Shingaling:*
 -  6-7 Shingaling Handwritten.pdf
 -  6-7 Shingaling Digital (go to “File” and then “Make a copy”)

- OR create an artifact on one of the stories from *Auggie & Me*** (the artifact could be in the form of an essay, visual representation, series of poems, recorded film, music score, or presentation)

- Students should then read a second text of their choosing**

Frequently Asked Questions:

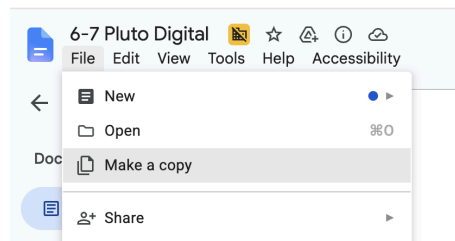


Should we do the writing guide or create the artifact?

While students may have a choice between completing the writing guide(s) and creating an artifact, we recommend the writing guide(s) to support with daily sentence writing and response-level writing.

If we do the writing guide, should we use the digital or print out the handwritten copy?

While we often recommend using the handwritten guide, the digital guide would support students who may have difficulty with handwriting and/or spelling. Do note that the digital version will need to be made into a copy. See the screenshot for how to go to “File” and then choose “Make a copy”:



What if we want to read two or all three stories from *Auggie & Me*? Is there an order to the three stories?

We will offer extra credit to any students who complete the writing guides for two or all three of the stories (*The Julian Chapter*, *Pluto*, or *Shingaling*) in *Auggie & Me*. There is no implicit order to the three stories. You can find out more about each one below.

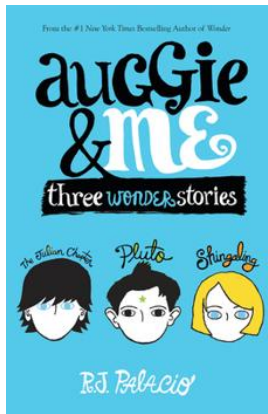
What if I am an incoming student and have not read *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio?

Students in 6th grade ended the school year by reading and critically writing about the text, *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio. If you are an incoming student, you could either read *Wonder* on your own before reading one of the follow-up stories in *Auggie & Me*, or you could also watch the film adaptation to build the background knowledge necessary to understand *Auggie & Me*.

Reminder: Students who attend AIM's Summer program DO NOT have to complete their summer reading or math packets.

Required Reading:

One or more of the three stories from *Auggie and Me* by R.J. Palacio



Millions of readers have fallen in love with Auggie Pullman, an ordinary boy with an extraordinary face. *Wonder* tells his story from six different perspectives, but there were some characters whose unique perspectives were not shared - until now.

The Julian Chapter gives readers a chance to hear from *Wonder's* most controversial character. From the very first day Auggie and Julian met, it was clear they were never going to be friends. This story finally reveals the bully's side of the story. Why is Julian so unkind to Auggie? And does he have a chance for redemption?

Pluto offers a peek at Auggie's life before *Wonder*. Christopher's family moved away; he was there for all of Auggie's earliest memories, from surgeries to *Star Wars* marathons. *Pluto* is the story of two boys who have grown apart but are learning that good friendships are worth a little extra effort.

Shingaling shines new light on life as a fifth grader at Beecher Prep - as seen from the perspective of Charlotte, the girl chosen to be Auggie's "welcome buddy." Readers will learn more about Charlotte and the budding friendship with reader-favorite Summer, how the girls at Beecher Prep react to Auggie attending their school for the first time, and how Charlotte came to write the precept she used at the end of *Wonder*: "It's not enough to be friendly. You have to be a friend."

First Day of School



Students should come to the first day of school with the **completed writing guide(s)** and/or a **completed artifact** of the required text ***Auggie and Me* by R.J. Palacio** (*The Julian Chapter*, *Pluto*, and/or *Shingaling*). Finally, students should be ready to discuss the texts that they read over the summer. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Mrs. Mellon over the summer. We look forward to collaborating to support your students' reading and writing success.

We thank you in advance for your support with this important endeavor and hope that you and your student have a wonderful time enjoying many great books together this summer.