



Berean Christian School Middle School Summer Reading 2021

This year, completing a summer reading assignment will be OPTIONAL. Those students that wish to complete summer reading and a corresponding assignment will receive a dress down day for each book read/submitted assignment. There is no limit to the number of assignments completed.

Choose a book to read from the pre-approved list for the grade you will be entering. Using TExAS paragraph format (topic sentence, examples from the text, analysis of why those examples were chosen, and a summary sentence), you must answer the following two prompts (one paragraph per prompt):

1. What part of the novel did you most enjoy reading and why?
2. What is a life lesson you can take away after reading this?

BIOGRAPHIES

- *Up From Slavery*, Washington
- *Evidence Not Seen*, Rose
- *Peace Child*, Richardson
- *The Cross and the Switchblade*, Wilkerson
- *Joel*, Sonnenberg
- *The Wounded Spirit*, Peretti
- *Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom: My Story of the 1965 Selma Voting Rights March*, Lynda Blackmon Lowery
- *Courage to Soar: A Body in Motion, a Life in Balance*, Simone Biles
- *Through My Eyes*, Tim Tebow and Nathan Whitaker
- *Gifted Hands*, Carson
- *With Daring Faith*, Davis
- *Soul Surfer*, Hamilton
- *Bruchko*, Olson
- *God's Smuggler*, Brother Andrew
- *Born to Fly*, Osborn

- *I Ain't Comin' Back*, Weary
- *The Right Thing*, Waddle
- *I Dared to Call Him Father*, Sheikh
- *Eat More Chikin, Inspire More People*, Cathy
- *The Gospel in Bonds: 8 years in the Soviet Gulags--Imprisoned for his faith--a true story*, Vins

CLASSICS

- *Kidnapped*, Stevenson
- *Swiss Family Robinson*, Wyss
- *Anne of Green Gables*, Montgomery
- *Call of the Wild*, London
- *The Jungle Book*, Kipling
- *Sir Knight of the Splendid Way*, Cule
- *Little Men or Little Women*, Alcott
- *Five Little Peppers and How They Grew*, Sidney
- *The Secret Garden*, Burnett
- *Call It Courage*, Sperry



- *Robinson Crusoe*, Defoe
- *Heidi*, Spyri
- *Treasure Island*, Stevenson
- *Black Beauty*, Sewell
- *The Three Musketeers*, Dumas
- *Rip Van Winkle*, Irving
- *The Giant Killer*, A.L.O.E.
- *The Giver*, Lois Lowry
- *Hatchet*, Paulsen
- *Watership Down*, Adams
- *The Hobbit*, Tolkien
- *Where the Red Fern Grows*, Rawls
- *The Yearling*, Rawlings
- *Around the World in Eighty Days*, Verne
- *20,000 Leagues Under the Sea*, Verne

FANTASY

- Any book in the Inheritance cycle (*Eragon* and others), Paolini
- Any book in the *Artemis Fowl* series, Colfer
- *Murder in the Library*, Christie
- Any book in the *Narnia* series, Lewis
- *A Cricket in Times Square*, Selden
- *Indian in the Cupboard*, Banks
- *Wind in the Willows*, Grahame
- *Tuck Everlasting*, Babbitt
- Any book in the *Raising Dragons* series, Davis
- *The Princess and the Goblin*, MacDonald
- *Rabbit Hill*, Lawson
- Any book in the *Wingfeather* saga, Peterson
- Any book in the *Keeper of the Lost City* series, Messenger

- Any book in the *Harry Potter* series, Rowling
- Any book in the *Lord of the Rings* series, Tolkien
- Any book in the *Percy Jackson* series, Riordan
- Any book in the *Green Ember* series, Smith & Franzen

FICTION

- *The Contender*, Lipsyte
- *Here Lies the Librarian*, Peck
- *Hoot*, Hiassen
- *Flush*, Hiassen
- *Search of the Shadowman*, Lowery
- *The Loner*, Wier
- *Jennie McGrady* mystery series, Rushford
- *My Side of the Mountain*, George
- *On the Far Side of the Mountain*, George
- Any book in the *Secret* series (*The Name of This Book is Secret* and others), Bosch
- Any book in the *Mr. Lemoncello's Library* series, Grabenstein
- Stuart Brannon Western series, Bly
- *Wonder*, Palacio
- *Holes*, Sachar
- *Okay for Now*, Schmidt (sequel of *Wednesday Wars*)
- *The Invention of Hugo Cabret*, Selznick
- *From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*, Konigsburg
- Any book in the *Mysterious Benedict Society* series, Stewart
- *Tunnels*, Gordon & Williams



HISTORY/HISTORICAL FICTION

- *Year of Impossible Goodbyes*, Choi
- *Zoli's Legacy*, Watkins
- *Out of the Dust*, Hesse
- *Milkweed*, Spinelli
- *The Trumpeter of Krakow*, Kelly
- *The Light in the Forest*, Richter
- *Rifles for Waitie*, Keith
- *Vinegar Boy*, Hawse
- *Witch of Blackbird Pond*, Speare
- *Under the Blood Red Sun*, Salisbury
- *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*, Taylor
- *My Brother Sam is Dead*, Collier & Collier
- *Carry On, Mr. Bowditch*, Latham
- *Orphan Train* series, Nixon
- *Laylie's Daring Quest*, Hamilton
- *A Father's Promise*, Hess
- *The Journeyman*, Yates
- Any book in the *Dear America* series
- Any book in the *My Name is America* series
- *Lincoln's Grave Robbers*, Sheinkin
- Any book in the *Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales* series, Hale (graphic novels)
- *In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson*, Lord
- *Chains*, Anderson