

OIGC Summer Reading Assignment 2009-2010

During the summer, incoming 6th, 7th and 8th graders will read an assigned book. You will keep a reading journal, which will be collected on the first day of school, and you will be tested on the book.

The grade on the reading journal and on the test will be the first ILA grades for the year.

Incoming 6th and 7th graders will read one book and will be tested during the first or second week of class.

Incoming 8th graders will read two books and will be tested the first week of class. The assigned books are listed on the reverse.

You are to keep a reading journal of each chapter of the assigned novel(s).

You will turn in this journal on the first day of school, September 9, 2009. This is a graded exercise that will count toward the grade for the summer reading assignment.

Each entry (one per chapter) must be 125-150 words long.

Each journal entry must address such things as—

- Your thoughts, insights and/or reaction to the events, characters or setting of the chapter.
- Any significant event(s) that affect the development of the plot or characters and why you think the event(s) are significant.
- Any changes you note in the characters or setting and the significance of these changes.

Do not simply restate or paraphrase the action of the chapter. Any re-telling of the story will not receive credit.

You will keep your journal in a copybook provided to you with this assignment. Your journal must be in the provided copybook. Entries are to be made in blue ink only. Write in cursive. **Grammar, spelling and punctuation count.**

Each chapter entry will begin with a header that looks like this:

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>
<u>Audrey</u>	<u>8th</u>
<u>Title of Story</u>	
<u>Chapter</u>	
<u>John Smith</u>	<u>8B</u>
<u>Integrated Language Arts</u>	<u>June 20, 2009</u>
<u>The Pearl</u>	
<u>Chapter One</u>	

* Please use a ruler and a red pen to underline all headings.

OLGC Required Reading, Summer 2009

6th Grade

The City of Ember, Jeanne Du Prau

7th Grade

Homecoming, Cynthia Voigt

8th Grade

Across Five Aprils, Irene Hunt and *The Giver*, Lois Lowry

The assignment and requirements are on the reverse of this page.