



Lanier Middle School Rising 7th Grade Summer Reading

Lanier teachers recommend that you read at least one book every two weeks. The first week of school, you will have an assignment based on one of the books you have read. You do not need to take notes and there is no project to do over the summer. Read, read, read! Then record each book you finish.

Your summary should follow the format for SWBS

Directions for SWBS (Somebody...Wanted...But...So...)

Somebody = name of main character(s) with a brief description

Wanted = what the character(s) want(s) to achieve or have happen

But = what got in the way to slow or stop the action

So = how the situation was resolved

Before you record a book, think about what you have read. What supporting details would fit in each of these boxes?

Somebody (character)	Wanted (goal/motivation)	But (conflict)	So (resolution)
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Cinderella poor girl had to work hard	wanted to enjoy life like everyone else dreamed of marrying a handsome prince	mistreated by step mother and tormented by her step-sisters	fairy godmother helped her go to the ball where she met a handsome prince. They married and lived happily ever after.
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Use these details to write a sentence or two summarizing the book. Here is an example for how to fill in the chart. Happy reading. See you in September!

Title	Author	Genre	Date completed/SWBS Summary
"Cinderella"	Versions of this story appear in different cultures, but Charles Perrault is credited with the modern version.	Fiction/fairytale	6/9/08 A poor girl named Cinderella is mistreated by her step-mother and step sisters and forced to work very hard. Her dream of having a good life is finally realized when with the help of a fairy godmother, she meets and marries a handsome prince.

