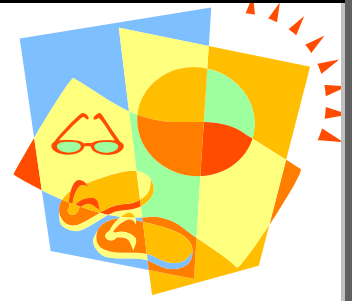


Summer Reading Assignment 2009



Liberty Middle School: Grade 8

Directions:

1. Select a **fiction or nonfiction** book you have not read before or had read to you from the Fairfax County Summer Reading List or another book appropriate for your reading level.
2. The book for this assignment **should not be a book that has been made into a movie** such as, but not limited to: *Because of Winn-Dixie, Eragon, Harry Potter, Holes, Hoot, Lord of the Rings, The Chronicles of Narnia, etc.*
3. After you have finished reading the book, complete the assignment.
4. When you return to school in the fall, bring the completed summer reading assignment to your English teacher.
5. This will be your **first graded assignment** of the year.

To access the summer reading list for middle school:

Fairfax County Summer Reading List: <http://www.fcps.edu/DIS/readlist/78.htm>

Liberty Middle School web page: <http://www.fcps.edu/LibertyMS/>

Remember to use complete sentences in your writing and proofread for grammatical errors before turning in your assignment. Type or handwrite your final copy on a separate piece of paper.

The assignment is located on the back of this paper. Please make sure that you use the fiction questions if you chose a fiction book and the nonfiction questions if you chose a nonfiction book.



Fiction

1. State the title of the book you read.
2. State the author of the book you read.
3. State the publisher of the book.
4. State the publication date of the book.
5. Describe the main setting of your novel and describe the main character (using both personality and physical traits). You may use a quotation from the book in your answer. Your response should be five to seven sentences.
6. Give a *brief* summary of plot, including the beginning, middle, and end. Your response should be five to seven sentences.
7. What connections did you make to the book? For example: did it remind you of a person you know, a place you have been, a movie you have seen, or a book you have read? Your response should be five to seven sentences.



Nonfiction

1. State the title of the book you read.
2. State the author or editor of the book you read.
3. State the publisher of the book.
4. State the publication date of the book.
5. What did you know about the topic or subject of your book before you started reading and why were you interested in this topic? Your response should be five or seven sentences.
6. What are three new things you learned from reading this book? Your response should be five to seven sentences.
7. What connections did you make to the book? For example: did it remind you of a person you know, a place you have been, a movie you have seen, or a book you have read? Your response should be five to seven sentences.