

## REQUIRED SUMMER Reading AND Math - GRADE 8

All students entering the sixth grade are required to read TWO novels, one from the “classic” authors and one from the “contemporary” authors, plus a grade-appropriate biography of their choice... (the biography should be more than 150 pages, not an abridged picture book, about an influential person in their life.) During the summer, students are expected to take notes while reading the three books, which they will be allowed to use when taking their summer reading assessments the first full week of school

\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: ALL SELECTIONS ARE UNABRIDGED VERSIONS ONLY\*\*\*\*

STUDENTS WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED TO TAKE ACCELERATED READER TESTS ON THE BOOKS LISTED BELOW. HENCE, THE NEED TO TAKE NOTES/REVIEW THEM PRIOR TO TAKING THE AR TEST!\*\*\*\*

**Additionally, when selectioning authors, like Hemingway or Steinbeck, many of their novels are less than 150 pages. Students will be required to read two of their books, will count as one of the Classics.**

### CLASSIC AUTHORS/CHOOSE ONE

1. Ernest Hemingway
2. John Steinbeck
3. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
4. Jane Austen
5. The Bronte Sisters
6. Charles Dickens
7. Shakespeare Made Easy or No Fear Shakespeare (THERE AR NO A.R. TESTS, BUT I WILL PROVIDE A WRITTEN TEST FOR CREDIT.)
8. Charles Dickens

### CONTEMPORARY AUTHORS/CHOOSE ONE

1. George Orwell
2. Ray Bradbury
3. Agatha Christie
4. J.R.R. Tolkien
5. Margaret Mitchell
6. Dan Brown
7. F. Scott Fitzgerald
8. Mark Twain

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Dear Parents of Future 8<sup>th</sup> Graders,

Over the summer, it will be a requirement that your 8<sup>th</sup> grader do IXL assignments. They will may able to use the same log in as they did all year. I am providing it now. Please have your child log in immediately to make sure there aren't any problems. Once summer starts, I won't be able to help.

Your child must complete each of these objectives, achieving an 80%, under the **8<sup>th</sup> grade library**. He/she will then take a calculator test on those objectives. Upon successful completion of the objectives and test, they will be allowed to use a calculator in class.

IXL assignments:

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| A1 _____ | C5 _____ | J3 _____           |
| A2 _____ | C6 _____ | J4 _____           |
| A3 _____ | C7 _____ | J6 _____           |
| A4 _____ | C8 _____ | J9 _____           |
| A5 _____ | D1 _____ | N1 _____           |
| A6 _____ | D2 _____ | N2 _____           |
| A7 _____ | D3 _____ | N3 _____           |
| A8 _____ | D4 _____ | N4 _____           |
| B1 _____ | D5 _____ | W1 _____           |
| B2 _____ | D6 _____ | W6 _____           |
| B3 _____ | D7 _____ | DD1 _____          |
| B4 _____ | D8 _____ | DD6 _____          |
| B5 _____ | F1 _____ |                    |
| C1 _____ | F2 _____ | Username:<br>_____ |
| C2 _____ | F3 _____ | Password:<br>_____ |
| C3 _____ | G1 _____ |                    |
| C4 _____ | J1 _____ |                    |
|          | J2 _____ |                    |