

2017 SUMMER READING

JT MOORE MIDDLE PREP, AN IB WORLD SCHOOL

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CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE!

Summer is a great time to explore your reading interests and try new authors and genres.

This summer, you have so many choices, so you get to choose your own reading adventures.



5TH & 6TH GRADES:

You choose **two books to read.**

Can't decide? We have a list of suggestions from Mrs. Bridges, Mrs. Dark, and your teachers.

7TH & 8TH GRADES:

You choose **three books to read.**

Can't decide? We have a list of suggestions from Mrs. Bridges, Mrs. Dark, and your teachers.

ALL GRADES:

For each book you read, you'll write a short response and bring that response to your ELA teacher in August.

How do you know what to write? Choose from one of the 10 writing prompts. These are shown on the next two slides.



CHOOSE ONE WRITING PROMPT FOR EACH BOOK:

- 1. How does this text show that challenges help us develop our identities?**
- 2. In what ways does the author make us think about change?**
- 3. Perspective changes everything. What examples from your book confirm this?**
- 4. There are many different types of communities. What types of communities exist in the book you read? How are they similar and different?**
- 5. Based on the book you read, why are relationships of all different kinds important in our lives?**

CHOOSE ONE WRITING PROMPT FOR EACH BOOK:

6. What is the author's message about communication? How do you know?
7. Who is the most creative or logical character in the book you read?
8. Why would or wouldn't you recommend this book at a friend?
9. What did you learn about culture from the text you read? How did it change you?
10. How did you connect with this book you read? How does this book compare or contrast to your own life?

FOR EACH WRITING RESPONSE, USE
SPECIFIC EVIDENCE FROM THE TEXT
TO SUPPORT YOUR ANSWER.

EXAMPLE: “ON PAGE 73, THE AUTHOR SAYS, ...”

YOUR TICKET TO THE READING PARTY: FAQ

Q: How long should each response be?

A: About half a page. For most of us, this is 5-8 sentences. So, if you read two books, you bring in about one page of writing. If you read three books, you bring in about a page and a half of writing.

Q: Can we do the same writing prompt for more than one book?

A: No. Exercise your brain. Choose a different prompt for each book.

Q: Do we have to read the books from the list?

A: No. You can select your own books that are on your approximate reading level, or above it.

Q: Can I read more than 2 or 3 books?

A: ABSOLUTELY. We hope you do! Responding in writing to more than that is your choice.

YOUR TICKET TO THE READING PARTY: FAQ

Q: Are the summer reading requirements for an honors ELA class different than regular ELA classes?

A: No. Students can choose their own books, and adults can help guide those choices.

Q: What happens if I don't do this?

A: This is part of being principled. Doing the right thing, even when no one is watching. We invite you to the reading party if you complete the work. Additionally, the writing prompts are aligned to our IB concepts that we'll be discussing all year. By exploring these concepts in your reading, you'll be better equipped for instruction during the school year.

Q: Is this part of my grade?

A: Maybe. That's up to next year's ELA teacher.

Q: What's happening at this "reading party?"

A: Guess you'll have to read and bring in your writing responses to find out!

SUMMER READING AT EDGEHILL LIBRARY

We are working with the Edgehill Library staff to help you read this summer. Have questions? Ask them! They can help!

Want to Earn IB Hours?

Complete IB service hours while promoting literacy in the community this summer! Come out and read with Waverly Belmont Elementary students at Edgehill Library on June 5th and July 31st from 10-12. Check out the JTM library website for more info.