



Summer Reading Log

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GRADE IN FALL 2009

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Additional Titles

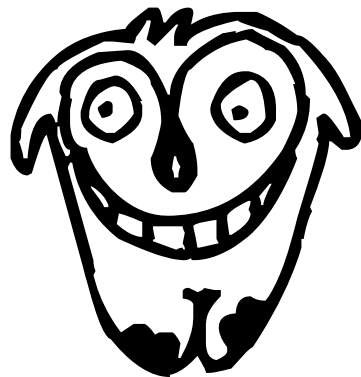
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Student Signature

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Bring this pamphlet and index cards to school on **Wednesday, September 9th.** For more details, check out page 2 of this pamphlet.



Sage Park Summer Reading 2009



Books can be dangerous. The best ones should be labeled "This could change your life."
~Helen Exley

Sage Park Summer Reading Facts 2009

Windsor Public Schools' expect **ALL** students to read over the summer!

- Sage Park students select and **read at least TWO (2) books** they have **not previously read.** There is a minimum but there is no maximum.
- Students follow any **guidelines** for selecting books that **their parents/guardians have established.**
- Students **may select** books to read from the **suggestions and recommendations** in this pamphlet **or** from the **Sage Park Summer Reading website**, but they are **not limited** to those books.
- Students **record** the **title** and **author** of **each book read** on the back of **this Summer Reading pamphlet.**
- Students also **complete** a note-taking task for **ONE FICTION books read.** (Note* One of the books that you read does NOT have to be fiction — **only one has to be a fiction book**). Specific directions for students entering grades **six, seven, and eight** are found later in this pamphlet.
- Students and their parents/guardians **sign** and **date** the back of this pamphlet as soon as students **have finished** their Summer Reading task.
- Students bring their **Summer Reading pamphlet** and **index cards** to school on **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2009.**
- Students **do earn credit** for their summer reading assignment.
- Students who read are **automatically** part of **The Governor's Summer Reading 2009 Challenge.**
- For answers to **Summer Reading questions**, please call Ms. Morante, Curriculum Leader for Libraries & Technology, at 687-2000, x 270.

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Sample Index Cards

The sample index cards below are based on the responses for Grade 6. Index cards for Grades 7 and Grade 8 should be organized similarly but students should respond to the questions for their grade listed back on pages 4 and 5.

Name _____ Notecard #1
Grade _____

NAME OF NOVEL _____
AUTHOR OF NOVEL _____
NUMBER OF PAGES _____

✓ I chose this book because *****

✓ The summary of the plot or events in the book

Name _____ Notecard #2
Grade _____

NAME OF NOVEL _____

✓ The main character is *****

✓ The main character changed *****

✓ The main character changed from the beginning to the end of the story because *****

Name _____ Notecard #3
Grade _____

NAME OF NOVEL _____

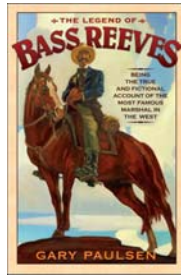
✓ I enjoyed/did not enjoy this book because*****

✓ The book was easy/difficult to read because*****

✓ I would recommend this book to ____ because**

History

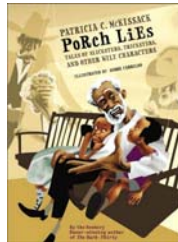
Anderson	Fever 1793 (Philadelphia, Yellow Fever)
Avi	Crispin (Middle Ages)
Avi	Crispin at the edge of the world
Cooney	Enter Three Witches (Shakespeare)
Crowe.....	Mississippi Trial, 1955 (Civil Rights)
Fleischman.....	Escape: The Story of the Great Houdini
Frost	The Braid (Scotland & Canada—novel in poetry)
Grey.....	Leonardo's Shadow (art and mystery)
Hamilton.....	House of Dies Drear (mystery)
Jarmain	Forbidden Schoolhouse (Prudence Crandall, CT)
Kadohata	Weedflower (WWII Japanese Internment)
Lisle.....	Black Duck (RI)
Myers	Harlem Summer (1920s, Jazz)
Paterson	Bread and Roses, Too (Massachusetts Mills)
Paulsen	Legend of Bass Reeves: Being the true account of the most valiant marshal in the West
Peck.....	Here Lies The Librarian (early 1900s)
Peck.....	On the Wings of Heroes (WWII)
Rinaldi.....	Cast Two Shadows (American Revolution, South)
Rinaldi.....	The Fifth of March: A Story of the Boston Massacre



“Libraries will get you through times of no money better than money will get you through times of no libraries.” ~Anne Herbert *The Whole Earth Catalog*

Short Stuff

Singer	Make Me Over
Avi	Best Shorts
Gallo	What Are You Afraid Of?
Gallo	Destination Unexpected
Flake	Who Am I Without Him?
Myers	145th Street: Short Stories
McKissack	Porch Lies: Tales of Slicksters, Tricksters, & Other Wily Characters



Science Fiction

Clements	Things Not Seen
Haddix.....	Among the ... (Shadow Children series)
Hautman	Rash
Patterson.....	Maximum Ride (series)
Westerfeld	Uglies (series)



Entering Grade 6

- ❖ Read a minimum of two books. Refer to the enclosed list or the Sage Park Summer Reading web page <http://www.windsorct.org/sagelmc/Reading.htm> for suggestions.
- ❖ For one fiction book make notecards following directions below.
- ❖ Bring this packet and your cards to school on Wed., Sept. 9th.
 - Your Reading teacher will check your index cards.
 - You will earn credit for your list of books read, index cards, and participation in in-class activities.

Notecard #1

- Write the title, author's name, and number of pages
- List your reasons for choosing this particular book.
- Summarize the plot or events in the book (4-6 sentences).

Notecard #2

- What type of person is the main character?
- How did the main character change from the beginning to the end of the story? What caused this change?

Notecard #3

- Did you enjoy the book? Why or why not? Explain.
- Was this book easy or difficult to read? Explain.
- To whom would you recommend this book? Why?





Entering Grade 7

- ❖ Read a minimum of **two** books. Refer to the enclosed list or the Sage Park Summer Reading web page <http://www.windsorct.org/sagelmc/Reading.htm> for suggestions.
- ❖ For **one fiction** book make note cards following directions below.
- ❖ Bring this packet and your cards to school on **Wed., Sept. 9th.**
 - Your Reading teacher will check your index cards.
 - You will earn credit for your list of books read, index cards, and participation in in-class activities.

Notecard #1

- Write the title, author's name, and number of pages
- List your reasons for choosing this particular book.
- Summarize the plot. (5-7 sentences)

Notecard #2

- What type of person is the main character? Use examples from the book to support your response.
- How does the main character change from the beginning to the end of the story? What caused the change?

Notecard #3

- What are your feelings about the subject of the book after reading it? Why?
- Do you feel this story would make an interesting movie? Why or why not?



Survival

Jaramillo	La Linea
Kadohata.....	Cracker: The Best Dog In Vietnam
Mikaelsen	Touching Spirit Bear
Pfeffer.....	Life as We Knew It



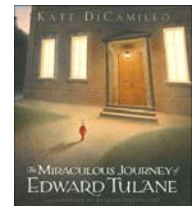
Sports

Feinstein	Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery
Feinstein	Cover Up: Mystery at the Super Bowl
Korman	Swindle
Lipsyte	The Contender (series)
Lupica	Heat
Lupica	Miracle on 49th Street
Lupica	Travel Team
Myers.....	Slam
Weaver	Farm Team: A Billy Baggs novel (series)



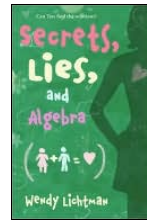
Other Worlds

Barry/Pearson.....	Peter and the Starcatchers
Barry/Pearson.....	Peter and the Shadow Thieves
Barry/Pearson.....	Peter and the Secret of Rundoon
Bell	Goblin Wood
Colfer	Artemis Fowl (series)
DiCamillo.....	The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane
Ferris	Once Upon A Marigold
Funke	Inkheart
Funke	Inkspell
Levine.....	Fairest
Lewis	Chronicles of Narnia (series)
Lowry.....	Gossamer (dreams, nightmares, foster care, child abuse)
Lowry.....	Gathering Blue (companion to The Giver)
Lowry.....	Messenger (companion to The Giver)
Mull	Fablehaven
Mull	Grip of the Shadow Plague
Mull	Rise of the Evening Star
Paolini.....	Eragon
Paolini.....	Eldest
Riordan	The Lightning Thief (Percy Jackson series)
Shan.....	Cirque du freak (series)
Shusterman.....	Everlost
Zevin	Elsewhere



Teen Stuff

Alegria	Estrella's Quinceanera (bi-racial)
Alvarez.....	Finding Miracles (adoption)
Cabot.....	Princess Diaries (series)
Clements.....	Homework Machine (school)
Creech	Absolutely Normal Chaos (families)
Creech	Granny Torrelli Makes Soup (friends)
Creech	Walk Two Moons (death, families)
Darrow.....	Trash (foster kids—story in poems)
De la Cruz	Fresh off the boat (immigrants)
Draper	Tears of a Tiger (Hazelwood High Trilogy)
Draper	Forged by Fire (Hazelwood High Trilogy)
Draper	Darkness Before Dawn (Hazelwood High Trilogy)
Draper	Romiette and Julio (soul mates)
Draper	Battle of Jericho (group hazing)
Flake.....	The Skin I'm In (school)
Flake.....	Money Hungry (urban)
Flake.....	Begging For Change (urban)
Flinn	Breathing Underwater (abusive relationship)
Flinn	Fade to Black (bullying & HIV)
Grimes	Bronx Masquerade (urban & poetry)
Grimes	Road to Paris (foster family)
Hautman.....	Sweetblood (diabetes)
Johnson	The First Part Last (teen parents)
Jones.....	Standing Against The Wind (urban)
Lichtman.....	Do The Math: Secrets, Lies & Algebra (friendship)
Lord.....	Rules (autism, realistic fiction)
Lubar	Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie (high school)
McDonald.....	Harlem Hustle (urban)
McDonald.....	Twists & Turns (urban)
Myers.....	Handbook for Boys: A Novel (urban)
Myers.....	Scorpions (urban)
Myers.....	Street Love (love story in poems)
Osa.....	Cuba 15 (Quincenera)
Paterson	Bridge to Terabithia (best friends)
Paulsen	Lawn Boy (VERY profitable lawn mowing business)
Shreve	Kiss Me Tomorrow (middle school & best friends)
Sonnenblick.....	Drums, Girls & Dangerous Pie (brothers & leukemia)
Woodson.....	I Hadn't Meant To Tell You This (abuse)
Woodson.....	Hush (families & witness protection)
Woodson.....	If You Come Softly (inter-racial)
Woodson.....	Locomotion (foster care in poems)
Woodson.....	Miracle's Boys (orphans & families)
Wolff.....	Make Lemonade (teen mom, babysitting)
Wolff.....	True Believer (urban)



Entering Grade 8

- ❖ Read a minimum of two books. Refer to the enclosed list or the Sage Park Summer Reading web page <http://www.windsorct.org/sagelmc/Reading.htm> for suggestions.
- ❖ For one fiction book make note cards following directions below.
- ❖ Bring this packet and your cards to school on Wed., Sept. 9th.
 - Your Language Arts teacher will check your index cards.
 - You will earn credit for your list of books read, index cards, and participation in in-class activities.

Notecard #1

- Write the title, author's name, and number of pages
- List your reason for choosing this particular book.
- Describe where and when this story takes place

Notecard #2

- Describe how any character, other than the main character, is essential to the story. What would be missing if this character were not part of the story?

Notecard #3

- Is this story similar or different from the experiences of you or your peers? What would you have done in the same situation? Explain.
- Tell what lessons readers learn about people and/or life in this book.



Lists of Good Books

"I would be most content if my children grew up to be the kind of people who think decorating consists mostly of building enough bookshelves."

~Anna Quindlen, "Enough Bookshelves," *New York Times*, 7 August 1991



Nutmegs 7-8

- Bryant..... Pieces of Georgia (realistic, diary, artist, friendship, loss)
- Coy..... Crackback (realistic, high school football)
- Cooney..... Code Orange (suspense, NYC, terrorists, diseases)
- Kostick..... Epic (science fiction, video games, revenge)
- Landy..... Skulduggery Pleasant (fantasy, magician-detectives)
- Maas..... Jeremy Fink & The Meaning of Life (NYC, loss, mystery)
- Pfeffer..... Life As We Knew It (natural disasters, survival)
- Salisbury..... Eyes of the Emperor (WWII, Hawaii, dogs)
- Sonnenblick..... Drums, Girls, & Dangerous Pie (realistic, drums, leukemia)
- Soto..... Accidental Love (realistic, Hispanic-American, romance)



Nutmegs 4-6

- Carlson..... Attack of the Turtle (historical, Connecticut, strategy)
- Gorman/Findley..... Stumptown Kid (historical, baseball, Midwest U.S.)
- Haddix..... Double Identity (science fiction, suspense)
- Kehret..... Ghost's Grave (suspense, supernatural)
- Lin..... Year of the Dog (realistic, Chinese New Year, friendship)
- Lombard..... Drita, My Homegirl (realistic, immigrants in NYC)
- Lord..... Rules (realistic, autism)
- Martin..... Dog's Life: Autobiography of a Stray (dog tells story of life)
- Park..... Archer's Quest (fantasy, time travel)
- Ryan..... Paint the Wind (realistic, orphans, horses, Wyoming)

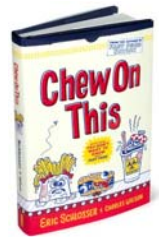
Anime/Manga/Graphic

- Smith..... Bone (series)
- West/Lacey..... Bermuda Triangle (Graphic Mysteries Series)
- Shone/Spender..... Bigfoot and Other Strange Beasts (Graphic Mys Ser)
- West/Riley..... Ghosts and Poltergeists (Graphic Mysteries Series)
- Marvel Enterprises..... Runaways (series)
- Siegel..... To Dance: A Ballerina's Graphic Novel
- Sadamoto..... Neon Genesis Evangelion

Mystery /Suspense/Spies



- Haddix..... Double Identity
- Horowitz..... Ark Angel (Alex Rider Series6)
- Horowitz..... Stormbreaker (Alex Rider Series1)
- Horowitz..... Scorpia (Alex Rider Series5)
- Horowitz..... Skeleton Key (Alex Rider Series3)
- Horowitz..... Eagle Strike (Alex Rider Series4)
- Horowitz..... Point Blank (Alex Rider Series2)
- Horowitz..... Raven's Gate (Gatekeepers1)
- Horowitz..... Evil Star (Gatekeepers2)
- Hautman/Logue..... Snatched (Bloodwater Mystery1)
- Hiassen..... Hoot
- Hiassen..... Flush
- Klise..... Regarding the Bathrooms (Regarding the series)
- Klise..... Regarding the Sink (Regarding the series)
- Klise..... Regarding the Trees (Regarding the series)
- O'Roark..... Dovey Coe
- Richards..... The Death Collector
- Selznick..... Invention of Hugo Cabret



Non-Fiction

- Bausum..... Freedom Riders: Jim Lewis & Jim Zwerg on the Front Lines of the Civil Rights Movement
- Bledsoe..... How To Survive In Antarctica
- Burns..... Tracking Trash: Flotsam, Jetsam, and the Science of Ocean Motion
- Cox..... Swimming To Antarctica
- Davis..... We Beat The Street
- Farndon..... Do Not Open (world's best kept secrets)
- Hammond..... Can you feel the force? (physics)
- Marrin..... Oh Rats! The Story of Rats and People
- Masoff..... Oh Yikes! History's Grossest, Wackiest Moments
- Schlosser/Wilson..... Chew On This: Everything You Don't Want to Know About Fast Food
- Tarbox..... Katie.com: My Story
- Todd/Watson..... Watcha Mean, What's a Zine?
- Thimmesh..... Team Moon: How 400,000 People Landed Apollo 11 on the Moon