



2021 Summer Reading for BCS Students Entering 6th-8th Grade

Please read one of the book options for the grade you are entering and complete one of the projects. You will turn your project in to your LA teacher on the 1st day of school.

6th Grade Book Choices: (Read one.)

<i>Swindle</i> by Gordan Korman
<i>Prisoner B-3087</i> by Alan Gratz
<i>Matched</i> by Allie Conde
<i>Front Desk</i> by Kelly Yang
<i>American Born Chinese</i> by Gene Luen Yang

6th Grade Projects: (Complete one.)

<u>Advertisement</u>	<u>Music Playlist</u>
Develop a book poster promoting the book using visuals and words. The visuals you choose can either be hand-drawn or print-outs from the Internet. The poster can be designed in any way to grab the reader's attention. The title of the book and author must be included	Find 6-10 different songs of any genre to represent your book. Think about the events that occurred, theme of your novel, the characters, setting and genre. For each song, list the title and the artist. Additionally, write a few sentences explaining why you chose

<p>on the poster. In addition, you must write a short paragraph explaining why someone should read the book. Look at movie posters to inspire your own book poster.</p> <p>(The advertisement can be completed on a poster board or large piece of paper. You can either write or type the paragraph. This can be attached on the back of your advertisement.)</p>	<p>that particular song and how it connects to your book. (The music playlist can be completed either digitally or on a piece of paper.)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Character Trading Card</u></p> <p>Create a trading card to represent the main character in your novel. Draw a picture of what you think your character would look like. Then, include information about the character based on what you learned from the book. This could include, but not limited to: character's name, age, where they live, hobbies/interests, habits, and problems in the story. Don't forget to add the title of your book! Look up sample character trading cards for inspiration.</p> <p>(The character trading card can be completed on a piece of paper.)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Character Interview</u></p> <p>Develop 6-10 interview questions to ask the main character in your book. For each question, you must answer the question. Write the answers based on how you think your character may answer them. Use information from your novel to help with the answers. All questions should take more than a few words to answer. Think deeper than basic questions such as "what is your favorite food or color?" Look at celebrity interviews to help inspire your interview questions.</p> <p>(The character interview can be completed either digitally or on a piece of paper.)</p>

7th Grade Book Choices: (Read one)

<i>Elsewhere</i> by Gabrielle Zevin
<i>Refugee</i> by Alan Gratz
<i>The Crossover</i> by Kwame Alexander
<i>Rules</i> by Cynthia Lord
<i>Bamboo People</i> by Mitali Perkins
<i>Amulet (The Stonekeeper)</i> by Kazu Kibuishi

7th Grade Projects: (Complete one.)

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Present a Book Talk</u></p> <p>Record a video of yourself talking about the book. Be sure to include: Title, Author, Genre, Plot (without any spoilers), a quote, and why people should read this book.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Create a Shoe Box Scene</u></p> <p>Create a scene from the novel with materials in a shoebox as a way for others to “see” the scene. You can use small dolls, cardboard, playdough, legos, etc. Write information on the outside of the shoebox about the plot.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Character Analysis</u></p> <p>Write an open-ended response using textual evidence to answer the following question: What two character traits best describe the protagonist of the novel?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Illustrate Characters</u></p> <p>Choose three characters from your novel to illustrate on paper. Choose two quotes per character that help the reader learn about these characters. Write the quotes next to the character.</p>

8th Grade Book Choices: (Read one.)

<p><i>Monster</i> by Walter Dean Myers</p>
<p><i>The House of the Scorpion</i> by Nancy Farmer</p>
<p><i>Pop</i> by Gordon Korman</p>
<p><i>Flawed</i> by Cecilia Ahern</p>
<p><i>D’Aulaires’ Book of Greek Myths</i> by Ingrid and Edgar D’Aulaire</p>

8th Grade Projects: (Complete one.)

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Character Interview</u></p> <p>Develop 10 interview questions to ask the main character in your book. You must include both the questions and the responses. Write the answers based on how you think your character may answer them. Use information from your novel to help with the answers. All questions should take more than</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Present a Book Talk</u></p> <p>Record a 2-3 minute video of yourself talking about the book. Be sure to include: Title, Author, Genre, Plot (without any spoilers), a quote, and why people should read this book.</p>
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<p>a few words to answer. Avoid asking simple “yes” or “no” questions, or questions that would receive a one-word response.</p>	
<p><u>Character Analysis</u> Write a 2-paragraph response using textual evidence to answer the following question: What two character traits best describe the protagonist of the novel? Explain in detail.</p>	<p><u>Illustrate Characters</u> Choose three characters from your novel to illustrate on paper. Choose two quotes per character that help the reader learn about these characters. Write the quotes next to the character. The illustrations must be completed on paper by hand. Do not print pictures from the internet.</p>